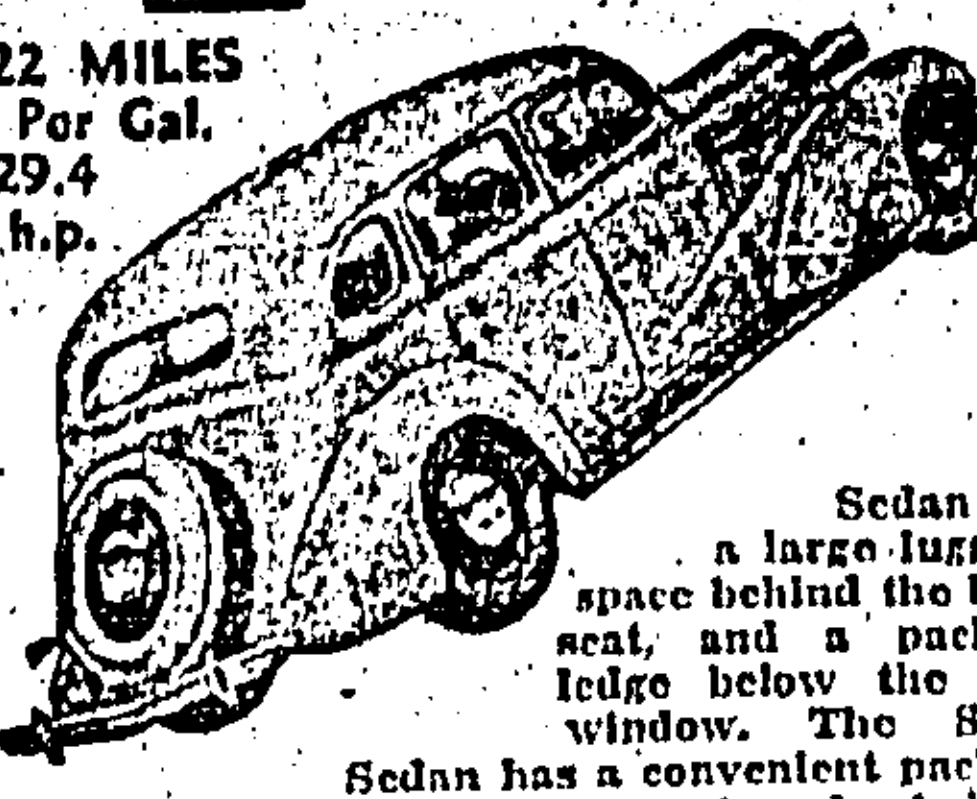


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LADY HAS TRAVELLED NEARLY MILLION MILES

The Hamburg Amerika Line liner *Reliance* which arrived here this morning on a world cruise with 325 passengers aboard, is making her second visit to Hongkong and on this occasion will spend two days in the Colony. To-day some of her passengers will visit the Peak and make a trip round the Island. A large party left early this morning for Canton. This afternoon and to-morrow the visitors are free to explore the shops and streets of Hongkong.

Aboard are many interesting personalities, not the least of whom is Baron Manfred von Richthofen, nephew of the famous wartime air "ace."

Another person making the world cruise is Brigadier General Thomas Herbert Jackson, one-time President of the Mississippi River Commission. General Jackson when asked to comment on the recent disastrous floods which swept the Mississippi Valley, said that the length of the river which had been prepared for floods was not unduly upset by the excess water and nowhere between Rock Island and the mouth of the river, the distance over which the dykes had been prepared, did the flood get out of hand. The main damage was done in the Ohio Valley because there the river banks had not been prepared.

Disaster was the result, said the General, partly of the encroachment by towns and settlements on the flood channels, and partly of the magnitude of the flood, the greatest since 1913. Now that so much damage had been done there will be steps taken to prevent a recurrence of the disaster, said General Jackson, but it must always be borne in mind that the protection of the river banks is enormously expensive, and unless the damage done is properly met the floods are sufficient to warrant this expenditure. The banks cannot be protected. The loss over the whole of the Ohio Valley during the past flood was not more than a dollar an acre, he said, while to protect the banks would cost 20 or 30 million dollars. The protection of the Mississippi was one of the greatest of modern engineering undertakings and had already cost, over a period of ten years, between five and six hundred million dollars. The project is now almost 80 per cent. complete.

TRAVELLED 850,000 MILES

Another interesting passenger aboard the vessel is Mrs. Ella C. Munson, of Lynbrook, Long Island, N.Y., who is making her fifth visit to China and is on her fourth round the world trip. Mrs. Munson is the oldest lady aboard but her looks belie it, and in spirit she must be one of the youngest. "I have travelled by sea during my life no less than 850,000 miles, and I hope to complete the million miles. I travel because I like it and believe that spiritually, mentally and physically it is good for me. I am one of a family of 11 children and the only one who has desired to travel from where we were born in Connecticut, but I have become thoroughly obsessed by wanderlust."

Mrs. Munson has visited most countries of the world during her travels, but there are places in Europe where she would like to settle when her travelling days are done she said that she refuses to live in a country which has a debt of honour to America, her homeland, and has not paid it or refuses to pay it.

MATTER OF PRINCIPLE

"It is fair enough to let them off the debts they contracted for war materials, food and clothing—the necessary things to help them win the conflict—but it is only right that the European countries should pay back what they borrowed after the war and used on developmental works and buildings. Until they do they will get no more dollars from me."

This voyage will add to Mrs. Munson's total about 31,500 miles and she will have visited, by the time the ship reaches New York, no less than 37 ports and 29 countries including Somaliland and Turkey which are two countries not touched by other cruise ships visiting Hongkong.

CAPTAIN MISSED SHIP

Commander of the *Reliance* is Captain Hans Kioff, who last year visited Hongkong as Associate Commander. Like Commander Kioff, who commanded the *Reliance* last year, Captain Kioff missed his ship when the cruise started and had to hurry to the de jure and embark there.

REBELS' BOMBERS ACTIVE NIGHT RAIDS ON LOYAL LINES FRICTION IN BARCELONA

Seville, Mar. 28. An intense bombing by rebel aircraft of Government positions on the Guadalquivir front and in Madrid was carried out in bright moonlight to-night, according to a communique issued by General Francisco Franco's headquarters.

Gijon and Santander were also heavily bombed by aeroplanes. Three hundred Government soldiers were taken prisoner on the heights above Brihuega, according to a message from Sigüenza.—Reuter.

CABINET CRISIS

Barcelona, Mar. 28. President Companys is energetically working to solve the Catalan Cabinet crisis which has developed during the Easter period, apparently due to differences of opinion among political groups within the Government.

Four members of the Cabinet, who are also anarchists, have resigned, but it is expected the new Cabinet will be similar to the last, and that unity of action will be emphasised in the face of the common danger.

The programme includes the creation of a regular Popular Front Army.—Reuter.

STEAMER CALLING FOR AID

VOLUNTEER SENDS OUT SOS RESCUE SHIP ON THE WAY

Manila, Mar. 29. The *Globe Wireless* here has picked up an SOS from the steamship *Volunteer*, at 29.35 North and 153.45 East.

The ship reports water pouring into number one hold faster than the pumps can eject it.

The steamer *Fresno City* is 240 miles away and is hurrying to the assistance of the *Volunteer*.—United Press.

CONTACT BROKEN

San Francisco, Mar. 28. The *Globe Wireless* station here has heard the President Harrison adage that daylight conditions have interrupted her radio contact with the distressed *Volunteer*.—United Press.

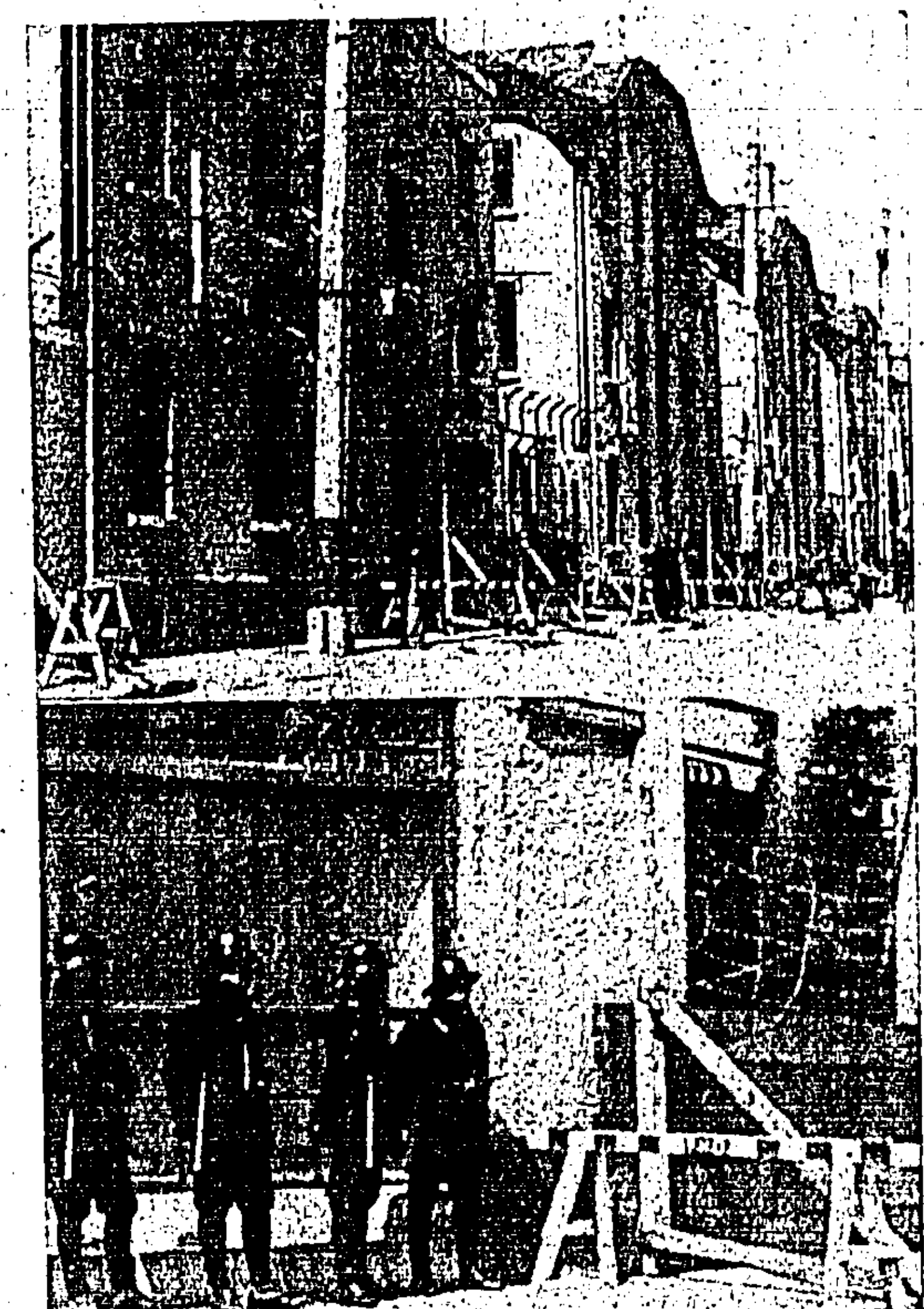
HOPE TO SETTLE STRIKE

LANSING PARLEYS CONTINUING GOVERNOR'S OPTIMISM

Lansing, Mich., Mar. 28. Negotiations for the settlement of the Chrysler Corporation strike continue to-day—the fifth successive day of conference between Governor Murphy of Michigan, Mr. Walter Chrysler and his executives, and Mr. John Lewis and labour leaders.

Before the opening of the meeting, Governor Murphy indicated that only a matter of phraseology stood in the way of agreement on the United Automobile Workers demand for exclusive bargaining rights. The conference will resume to-morrow in spite of the absence of Mr. Lewis, who has gone to New York to attend a wage conference with the United Mine Workers Union, of which he is president.—Reuter.

BARRICADES IN SHAI STREETS



Residents of Lane 361, Xu xuen road, Shanghai awoke with a start recently to find that all their Tifeng Road and Bubbling Well Road lane entrances had been blocked by the Shanghai Municipal Police. Designated as "municipal amenities," the roads were held by the Council to be for the use of only those ratepayers who help to swell the municipal coffers. The photograph at top shows a general view of the barricades, while below is shown several of the police on duty. The position has now been adjusted.

Feeding Crowds At Coronation

BUFFET LUNCHESES FOR MINOR ROYALTIES

Peers and peeresses attending the Coronation Service in Westminster Abbey will be able to buy a "fork luncheon" in the Royal Gallery—for 10s 6d. a head. The light refreshments are being arranged by the House of Lords Offices Select Committee.

A similar buffet luncheon will be provided for about 200 "minor royal personages" in the king's robing-room. The Earl Marshal's office failed to announce if this group will be charged the same price, or if "minor royalty" will be guests.

Wines, liquor and mineral waters may be ordered in the Royal Gallery "for which cash payment will be taken at the time of ordering."

The luncheon will consist of "light dishes which can be eaten with a fork, sandwiches of all kinds, a variety of sweet dishes, cakes, etc., with tea, coffee and lemonade."

Earlier, breakfast will be served to about 400 officers of state in the Royal Gallery—at 4.30 a.m.

Doubtless the King and Queen will eat nothing from the time they leave the palace until they return, but legend says this was not always the case.

Henry VIII, sovereign of tremendous appetite for both rich viands and pretty wives, according to an old story could not wait for the long ceremony to end. He lifted his hand for a recess, strode out to his robing-room where he had food and ale, and came back to the altar with his mouth full, still chewing.

Many of the thousands who will witness the coronation procession from privately engaged vantage points will receive food and drink, included in the price of their seat. This applies mostly to hospitals, hotels and other institutions with frontage along the route. They included refreshments when they sold seats at from £10 to £20 each.

The government grandstands will be served from stands in the parks adjacent.

The hundreds of thousands of "common people" who will jam the sidewalks of the Coronation route—many of them taking their places before dawn—will have to put sandwiches in their pockets. Vendors could not pass among them if they wanted to, the crush will be so great.—United Press.

GERMAN CHURCH DECLARES OPEN WAR WITH NAZIS

BISHOP SAYS CONCORDAT WITH ROME VIOLATED

Berlin, Mar. 28. German Catholics and Protestants alike spent Easter Sunday reaffirming their faith against what they consider Nazi opposition.

For the first time since the dispute began, an appeal was made to the Berlin Catholic faithful for open opposition to the Nazis. An appeal was read in the Cathedral by the Bishop, Count Conrad Preysing. He bluntly charged the Nazis with having violated the Concordat with Rome and appealed to parents to send protests to the authorities at alleged Nazi efforts to destroy the Catholic schools.

After the delivery of his appeal, a huge crowd greeted the Bishop outside the Cathedral with immense enthusiasm.

WHEAT AND CORN RISING

HIGH LEVEL FOR PRESENT SEASON MAY SQUEEZE POSSIBLE

Chicago, Mar. 27. Wheat prices were 1 1/2 to 2 1/4 cents per bushel higher here to-day.

The market reached new high levels on broad buying centred on the strength of corn.

Shorts were most active, aroused by reports of heavy sales of cash corn.

The wheat market opened fractionally lower under scattered liquidation but rallied under accelerated mill buying which followed the rally in the Winnipeg market.

Closing Prices

	March 25	March 27
May	140 3/4-7 1/2	142 3/4-7 1/2
July	126 3/4-7 1/2	128 3/4-7 1/2
September	128 3/4-7 1/2	129 3/4-7 1/2

CORN HIGHER

Corn prices were 3 to 3 1/2 cents per bushel higher here to-day. The market reached new high level for the season.

Short covering produced speculative buying and increased buying late in the session extended the early advances.

One bullish factor was the belief that much of the recent cash sales represented Argentine corn, and the fact that foreign grain was so easily absorbed has made a squeeze in May delivery easily possible.

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July	100-109 1/4	112 1/4-7 1/2
September	103 1/4-104	106 1/4-107

—United Press.

Mine-Sweepers At Singapore

FLEET OF NINE ON THEIR STATION

The nine mine-sweepers which are to be stationed in Singapore arrived at the Naval Base last week. They left Malta on Jan. 25.

The craft are the Abingdon, Huntley, Fareham, Aberdare, Harrow, Widnes, Stoke, Derby, and Bagshot, officially known as the 2nd Mine-sweeping Flotilla. Commander J. R. N. Taylor, of Abingdon, is in command.

All the vessels are of the Hunt class, built during the War, and practically uniform in design and equipment.

They are of 840 tons displacement and have a best speed of about 10 knots. Their armament is a single 4-in gun and a 12-pounder, or four three-pounders in lieu of the 12-pounder.

Simultaneously, the Munich Cathedral was packed when Cardinal Faulhaber attended. The prelate preached a special sermon declaring the Catholic Church would carry on the fight even if it meant martyrdom.

Police confiscated copies of the Easter circular issue of the Evangelical Church telling the pastors the line they should take at their services.

Dr. Niemoller read out in his Dahlem Church a list of churchmen still in concentration camps or banned from their parishes, and asked the congregation to pray for them.—Reuter.

POPE BLESSES CROWD

Rome, Mar. 28. His Holiness the Pope, seated on a throne, assisted at the celebration of Pontifical High Mass at St. Peter's to-day, which is rarely, if ever, so packed. It was the first big public ceremony His Holiness had attended since his illness.

He afterwards blessed 150,000 people densely thronged in the vast square.—Reuter.

CAUTION STILL PREVAILS

New York, March 27. The New York Stock Exchange was firm to-day, although considerable caution still prevailed, which is expected to continue.

The favourable factors included continued good steel operations, good Easter retail trade, carloadings continue to improve and plate glass production for the month of March is likely to be a record.

The unfavourable factors include the possibility of a motor strike, railroad labour difficulties, legislative uncertainty and motor earnings for the first quarter of this year likely to be lower.

Issues on the Curb Exchange were irregularly higher. The Bond Market was irregular with United States issues moderately higher.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES

	Mar. 25	Mar. 27	Change
Industrials	104.08	104.05	Up .27
Rails	60.79	61.05	Up .26
Utilities	32.60	32.02	Off .58
Bonds	102.08	102.07	Off .01
Volume	—	—	330,000 shares.—United Press.

STOP PRESS

Dobois, Penn., Mar. 28. Late Saturday night, two explosions occurred in the Northwestern Mining Exchange workings here and trapped mine men while on a routine safety inspection.

Late to-night five bodies were recovered. It is feared the other four are dead.

The explosions caught only nine men since 1,200 workers were above ground for their Saturday half-holiday.—United Press.

MINERS RESCUED

Golden, Colo., Mar. 28. Three miners have been rescued after being buried for 19 hours, after a cave-in.—United Press.

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In the kitchen it can be set as a reminder to watch some particular saucepan or dish in the oven. Or if you set it just indoors while doing a bit of gardening, you will be warned in good time to start the dinner.

There is no need to keep one eye on the clock to feed baby promptly, or even to set out in time to fetch a young child from

school, if you call your alarm clock into service.

That time you had an important appointment and you rather overdid your after-lunch nap, your alarm clock, set beforehand, would have spared that frantic last-minute rush.

In the same way, you may be reminded to telephone the grocer or butcher about that "special something" required before half-day closing, or perhaps a private telephone call which can only be done at a certain time.

Ease your worry when nursing an invalid requiring an assortment of nourishment and medicines, at varying times, by setting the warning bell. Remind yourself, also, to take that tonic you are positive would do you a world of good if only you could remember the wretched stuff.

When you were so busy that you forgot to switch on the radio for that interesting talk, or to write that important letter in time to catch the post, you could have jogged your memory by "ringing yourself up" with your alarm clock.

Those Left-over Easter Eggs make good Chocolate Dishes

by HESTER VALENTINE

MY little boy Harold was very sick early this morning. I discovered he had taken a chocolate fish to bed with him.

What did I do? I took away all his remaining chocolate eggs and fish and put them in a tin.

His sister Clementine is looking very pasty, too, so I have added her Easter presents to my store. I have now about thirty small plain chocolate which I shall use up gradually to make all sorts of puddings and biscuits and cakes.

Why don't you do the same? Of course, keep the milk eggs and the sweets in a separate tin for your children to eat when they are feeling a little less lively; they are no good for cooking... but all that plain chocolate...

Hot Chocolate Pudding. — This is a very slowly with a dessertspoonful of water. Stir it to a smooth paste free from all lumps. Fold them into your chocolate mixture. Now add the egg yolks and stir again. The melted chocolate, sifted flour, and well-beaten whites are added to the mixture at the same time, stir in a little flour, moisten with a little egg white, and chocolate, more flour, and so on. The mixing should be done fairly quickly, and you must not stir for long. Pour into a buttered cake tin and bake in a slow to chocolate medium oven for one hour. Cake. The cake is delicious with a plain icing (1oz. chocolate dissolved in a little water) poured over it when cold and struck over with angelica. We used to have it like this in France as a second course for lunch.

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CHOCOLATE Cake. — This is a recipe I learned in France as a child, and I have never been able to better it. You require two eggs, same weight of flour, same weight of castor sugar, same weight of butter, 3½ozs. of chocolate.

Dissolve the chocolate slowly in a little water. Melt the butter, add the sugar, and stir for several minutes. Now add the egg yolks and stir again. The melted chocolate, sifted flour, and well-beaten whites are added to the mixture at the same time, stir in a little flour, moisten with a little egg white, and chocolate, more flour, and so on. The mixing should be done fairly quickly, and you must not stir for long. Pour into a buttered cake tin and bake in a slow to chocolate medium oven for one hour. Cake. The cake is delicious with a plain icing (1oz. chocolate dissolved in a little water) poured over it when cold and struck over with angelica. We used to have it like this in France as a second course for lunch.

FRENCH Cream. — This sounds rather like the above recipe, but actually the consistency of two creams is quite different.

FIGURE for YOURSELF

Exercise to Slim your waist

NEXT TO HIPS WAISTLINE IS BIGGEST FIGURE PROBLEM. BUT IT DOES RESPOND TO EXERCISE AND STRETCHING AND SQUEEZING ARE NOT ONLY EXCELLENT FOR TRIM WAISTLINES BUT FOR INTERNAL ARRANGEMENTS STOP FILMSTRESS ANN SHERIDAN RECOMMENDS FOLLOWING STOP KNEEL WITH HANDS CLASPED HIGH OVERHEAD STRETCH UP AND BEND TO LEFT AND RIGHT ALTERNATELY STOP BENEFIT OF EXERCISE DEPENDS ON STRETCHING MOLLY CASTLE HOLLYWOOD.

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BITS TO CUT OUT

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Apple Colour

If you want apples to keep their colour while cooking, leave them in cold water containing a little lemon juice for ten minutes first.

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Keep it free from mildew, prevent it from going dry, by leaving two lumps of sugar in the cheese dish.

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Does your baby kick the covers off? If so make him a baby bag. Winter: flannelette. Summer: cotton or linen. Take four yards of material, fold in two and sew up both sides, leaving a quarter of a yard open, one piece to throw over the pillow, the other to turn back like a sheet. You can edge the pillow-covers and turn-back with lace or embroidery them.

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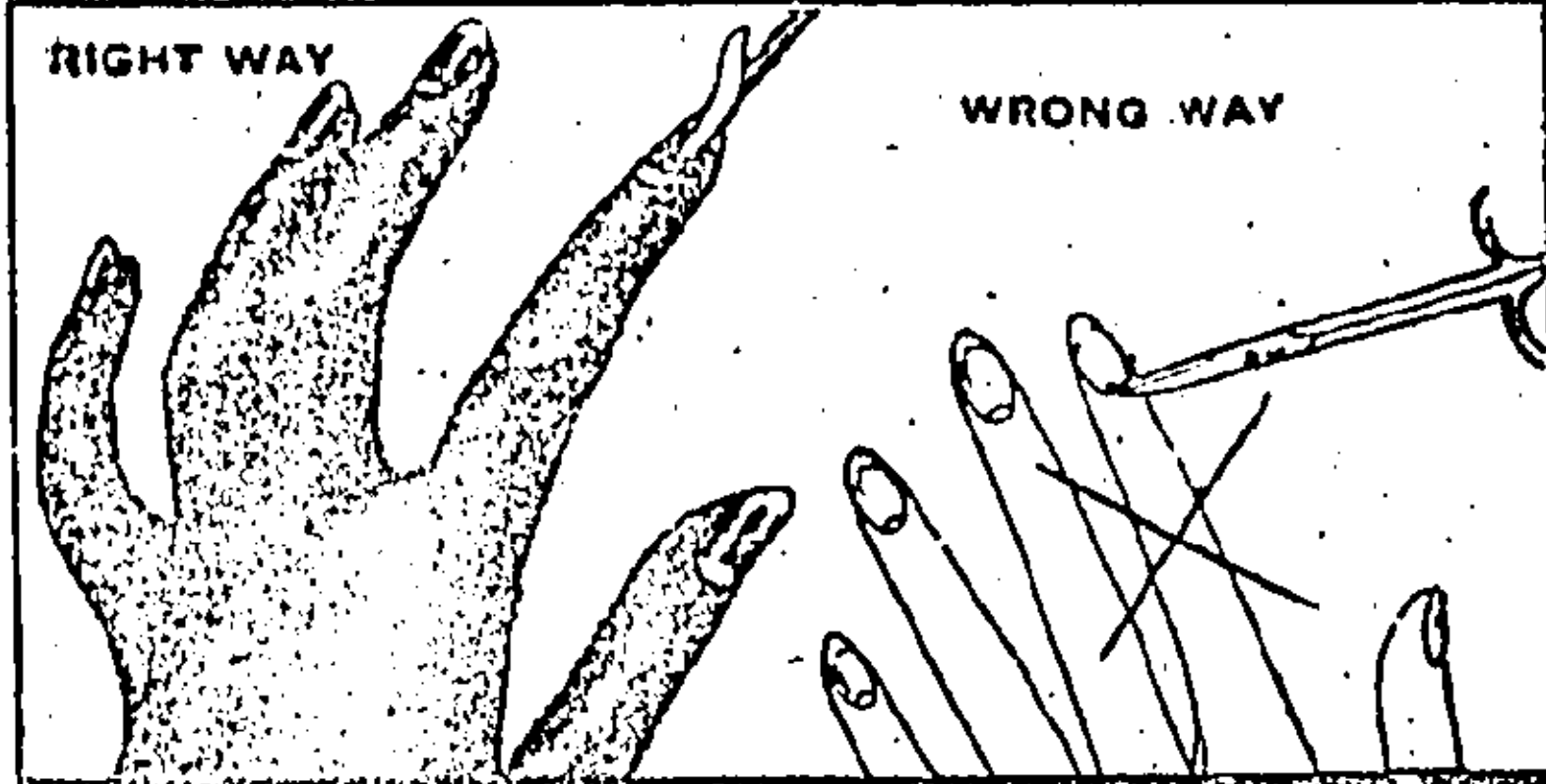
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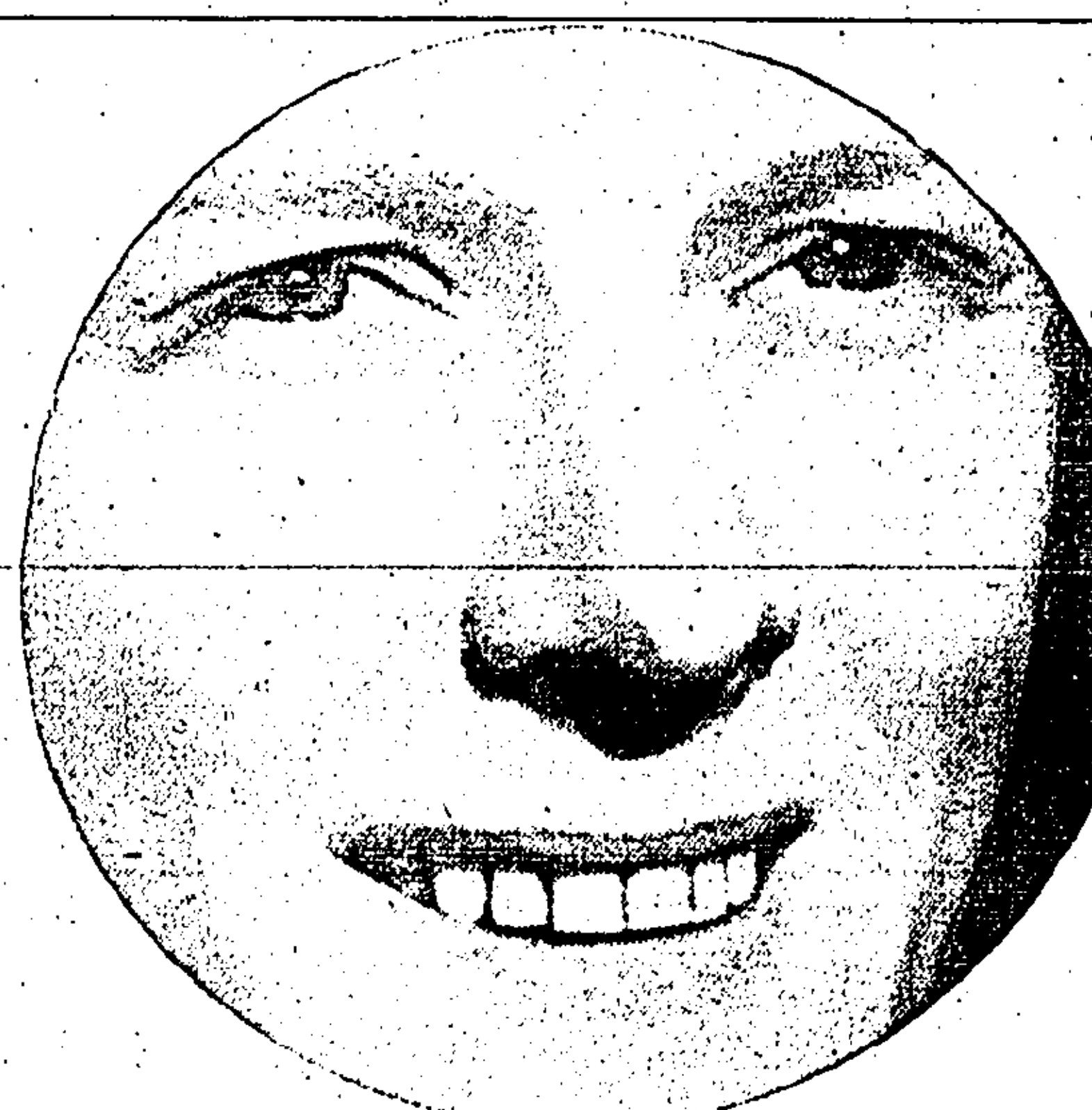


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Battleships Of The Future

35,000-Ton or 48,000-Ton? DECISION WITHIN SIX WEEKS

By a Naval Correspondent

During the next few days it will be decided whether the battleship of the future is to be a ship of 35,000 tons with 14-inch guns and costing £8,000,000, or a ship of 48,000 tons mounting guns of 16 inches or larger, and costing at least £12,000,000.

Under the terms of the London Naval Treaty of March last year the maximum gun calibre for capital ships is fixed at 14 inches, provided that Japan agrees to this limit before April 1, 1937.

The Treaty, which was signed by the British Empire, the United States, and France, after Japan had withdrawn from the conference, was submitted to Japan for her signature last year. Japan was unable to sign, as she would have "lost face" had she agreed to an instrument which had been drawn up after she had withdrawn from the conference on a major issue. There is, however, every hope that some arrangement which will secure Japan's co-operation will be come to before the end of next month.

NEW GUNS' EFFICIENCY

At present Great Britain has two battleships building, and three more are to be laid down in the near future. The first two of these ships are definitely to mount guns of 14-inch calibre. It is understood that in each ship twelve such guns will probably be carried, mounted in four three-gun turrets.

The 14-inch gun is a new weapon in the British Navy. It is a development of the 13.5-inch gun which was used in the Iron Duke and a number of other battleships designed shortly before the Great War. The 13.5-inch gun was an excellent weapon, and was very popular among gunnery officers in the Fleet.

During the last few years an immense amount of research and experimental work has been carried out in the gunnery field. As a result of this work the 14-inch gun has been produced, and it is expected that this weapon will be far more efficient, as regards range, hitting power, and rate of fire, than any heavy gun previously used in the British Navy.

The 14-inch gun is not of the wire-wound type. It is built up of tubes shrunk on to one another. It will fire a shell weighing more than 1,500 pounds.

HIGH RATE OF FIRE

A battleship mounting twelve of these guns will be able to maintain a much higher rate of fire than can the Nelson and Rodney, which mount nine 14-inch guns. The developments in the 14-inch gun have been such that there should be little or no difference in the effective range of the 14-inch and 16-inch weapons, and the much higher rate of fire given with a greater number of 14-inch guns will, it is considered, more than make up for the fact that the projectiles are lighter.

Since the Nelson and Rodney were completed in 1927, developments in weapons, and particularly air power, have dictated that the battleship of the future must carry heavier deck armour and a larger number of anti-aircraft weapons. For this reason it is now considered impossible to build a battleship carrying an adequate number of 16-inch guns on a displacement of 35,000 tons.

If the limit of 14 inches for guns of capital ships is not established, the displacement of future battleships will greatly exceed 35,000 tons. It is estimated that an efficient capital ship mounting an adequate number of 16-inch guns would require a displacement of approximately 48,000 tons. The "Improved Hood" type, which were building at the time of the armistice and which were scrapped on the stocks under the terms of the Washington Naval Treaty, were of approximately this tonnage.

BING'S £7,000 MAIL

Hollywood, Mar. 15. Bing Crosby maintains his own department to take care of his fan mail. He receives about 10,000 fan letters a month, and it costs Bing nearly £7,000 a year to keep this department going, supplying, and mailing photographs.

"IT'S GOING TO BE A PROPER ONE"

MORE than 30,000,000 Americans and Canadians are going to die in a colossal flood that will sweep from the Pacific seaboard to the Rocky Mountains and from the Mexican border to Alaska at the end of 1938.

Yes, sir—that's what's comin' to all those guys if they won't repent their evil ways.

Mr. Bill ("Noah the Second") Greenwood, of "The Ark," Olympia, State of Washington, U.S.A., bawled this prophecy down the Transatlantic-trans-Continental telephone to a London reporter.

President Roosevelt may sack nine old men and hand a New Deal to Uncle Sam's children, but unless he chases the Devil out of America as well they're going to get the rawest deal a nation ever had, whether they like it or not.

"I got it all figured out," said old "Noah" Greenwood.

HE MOVED IN

"Fifteen years ago I went to bed one night and I dreamed I saw a great battle of the forces of good and evil, and a voice told me that if the people didn't repent their wickedness a great flood would cover America at the end of 1938."

"Well, sir, I started right in and built me an ark. I meant that to be a symbol and a warning of what was comin'."

"I didn't just hope to save my own life, because the Lord will take care of that or he won't just as he likes. Well, I moved in and took as much furniture and comforts as I needed."

"That was 15 years ago when the warning came to me. People laughed and went on as usual. They thought I was a cranky fellow as you might think I'm a crank, but they thought Noah was a crank, too, didn't they?"

"Yes, sir, but who'd you say was cranky now an' who'd do you think's goin' to look very foolish when the deluge comes next year?"

A WARNING

"For 15 years they've gone their evil ways. Now they've got a warning direct."

"The big floods that have been causin' so much distress in these last weeks are terrible, but they're only a slight indication of the way things are goin'—they're just a little preliminary of the destruction that's surely comin'."

"If the country don't return to the ways of the Lord there's goin' to be a flood from the West Coast to the Rockies and from Mexico to Alaska."

"Won't anything be saved?" I asked him.

"Not much," replied Bill, "not much. No, sir, it's goin' to be a proper flood."

When the telephone line went weak his neighbour, Mr. Harold Eastman, of vigorous voice, came to the phone to speak for Bill.

"Are you going in the ark when the flood comes?" asked him.

"No," said Mr. Eastman, "I don't hold with his views about this flood business. But Bill's a good neighbour and he spends his time doing kindly acts."

"But just supposing he's right?" I said.

"Ah!" remarked Mr. Eastman thoughtfully.

Your Brain Keeps On Growing

UNLIKE the body, the mentally active human brain keeps on growing for at least 50 years, and possibly longer.

Dr. Alex Hrdlicka, an American anthropologist, who lives in Washington, has come to this conclusion on the basis of measurements of the head sizes of adults.

He found that skull measurements of middle-aged people showed slight increases over a period of years.

Since previous investigations show there was no reason to believe that either the scalp or the bones thicken with age, the only explanation he could advance was that the brain grows until senility begins.

"SILENCE, SILENCE," SHOUTS BAILIFF; SILENCE IS ABSENT

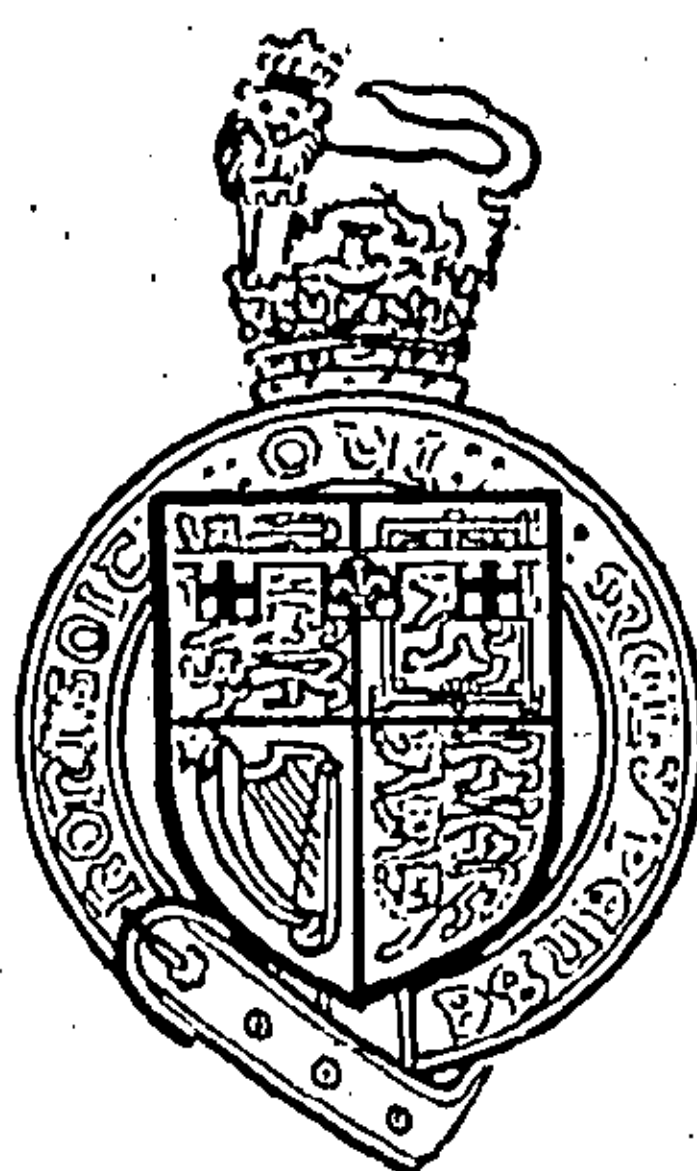
London, Mar. 20. "Silence!" shouted a constable at Tottenham Police Court.

"Silence there was," "Silence!" thundered the constable again, and people in the public gallery stirred uneasily.

Then the officer turned to the magistrate.

"Silence has failed to appear," he said, and the next case was called.

The Duke's New Arms



HERE is a Daily Press artist's forecast of the Duke of Windsor's new coat of arms.

The Imperial crown is replaced by a dual coronet. Across the shield is a label bearing the Prince of Wales's feathers and two crosses of St. George, patron saint of the Order of the Garter and of Windsor. The Duke may use the royal supporters, the lion and unicorn.

With the new reign, a new roll of Peers is being drawn up. The Duke will rank as the fifth Peer of the Realm. This is the order of precedence:

Lord Chancellor
Duke of Gloucester
Duke of Kent
Duke of Connaught
Duke of Windsor

After the Duke of Windsor rank the Primate and the Duke of Norfolk.

J. H. Thomas's Jokes With George V.

THE errand boy who became the close friend of a King tells his life in "My Story," J. H. Thomas's autobiography.

King George V. "loved a good story—a visit by Mr. Thomas during his illness left 'the royal invalid' rocking with laughter like a school-boy."

"We talked as friends, and he related stories of the Royal Household with a freedom which fascinated because of its homeliness."

One of them was:

"Many years ago I was sitting on this very seat with my grandmother."

Queen Victoria, when she turned to me and said:

"George, when I am dead they will say all manner of wicked things about your father. I want you to deny them."

"I want you to let it be known in every possible way what a good son he was, and how I did not, until the lapse of many years, appreciate his real value."

Mr. Thomas has chapters on "My Beginning," "The First Labour Government," "War Memories," "My Views on Sport," "I insist that I never once went to the races when Parliament was sitting," and contributes a gallery of sketches of politicians of to-day and yesterday.

He dedicates his book to "a true wife, a loving mother, and a pal. In the darkest hour of my life there were no reproaches: boldly, publicly and valiantly she stood by my side."

"Extras" Paid to Eat in New Film

If there's a shortage of food, particularly the picnic type, in Hollywood, then it's the fault of a motion picture company.

For the "Man of the People" company had a picnic at the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios that lasted for a week, and one thousand Hollywood extras were paid to eat from morning until night.

Practically all of the available "hot dogs," buns, pickles and other picnic delicacies in town were purchased for the week's feast, and additional rush orders had to be put through to keep up with the eating tempo of the crowd.

At the end of the week, the production manager's report appeared as follows:

Hamburgers 10,000
Hot dogs 6,000
Pickles 1,000
Loaves of bread 900
Gallons of milk 500
Gallons of mustard 60
Doughnuts 1,500
Cakes 750
Hams 200

Many smaller items were included on the list, such as coffee, sugar, candy, popcorn and nuts.

The scene was a setting for the acting of Joseph Calleia, Florence Rice, and Thomas Mitchell under the direction of Edwin L. Marin. Lucien Hubbard was the producer.

There were no casualties.—Associated Press.

Japan Volcano Erupts, Spreads Ash Snowfall

Machinashi, Japan, Mar. 13. Like a giant firecracker exploding, Mount Sana erupted to-day, rumbling and belching forth fire and ashes which fell upon Nikko, 100 miles distant.

The falling gray ashes from the crater gave the picturesque temples heretofore a snow-covered effect. The populace used gas masks and influenza-mouthpieces to protect their throats and nostrils. Many carried umbrellas.

There were no casualties.—Associated Press.

—J. B. PRIESTLEY Found The Secret Of Living

HOW to be contented and live happily on a modest income, how to get the best out of life and give the best of yourself—that is the essence and the lesson in a word picture of his father by J. B. Priestley, the novelist.

His account of Jonathan Priestley, a good Yorkshireman and a good citizen, is a great tribute from a son to his father.

"He was a schoolmaster, and a very good one, with an almost ludicrous passion for acquiring and imparting knowledge," he says.

"He was not a born scholar, but he was a born teacher."

"Outside his school, he did a great deal of useful public service—speaking, helping to organise, working on committees, and so on—not because he was a busybody or socially ambitious, but he was essentially public-spirited."

"But there was nothing of the smooth committee humbug about him. He was very brisk, humorous, stout-hearted, not to be patronised or bullied."

"I am commonly supposed to be pugnacious, but he was at heart ten times more pugnacious than I am, and if you went one step too far with him, his ruddy face turned scarlet, his eyes were electric blue, and he came roaring at you like a little lion."

HOW HE LIVED

Mr. Priestley says that he thinks himself fortunate that he inherited from his father the only sensible way of dealing with money.

He explains that this is to realise as soon as possible what kind of life you can lead with the money at your disposal and then, within that circle, to live at your ease, never worrying about money.

"He deliberately shut out one sort of life—the more expensive life of hotels, restaurants, clubs, theatre stalls, Havana cigars, liqueur brandies—and then lived like a king in the dominions left to him," he says.

"To think hard and realistically about money, then to forget it, that is what neither spendthrifts nor misers can do, and it is the only way to be merry and at ease."

He was not a romantic figure, did not pretend to be. His world lacked glitter and glamour. I never remember seeing him either in ecstasies nor yet defeated by despair.

STUCK TO DUTY

"But he never failed a duty, left the world better than he found it, was loved by his friends and respected by his army of acquaintances, and had a lot of fun."

"If I were picking a team to go and colonise another planet, I would choose his kind first."

"Years ago, when my first scribbles were achieving print, he was proud of me; and now, too, long after we exchanged our last words, I think I am prouder still of him."

"Because he did not want too much himself and hated to see others have too little, because he knew that life now has something better to offer than a universal all-in wrestling match for money, because he knew that there were more and more people like himself coming into the world, people who could be trusted to do their duty by the public that employed them.... he believed not only in government for the people by the people, but also in production by the people for the people, and so was a Socialist."

"And he remains in my memory as the ideal Socialist citizen."

"Of such could be made the best kingdom yet on this earth."

Freddie Bartholomew's Escape

Hollywood, Mar. 1.

CRAWLING along the main-yard of a "ship" during the shooting of the final scenes of the screen version of Kipling's "Captains Courageous," Freddie Bartholomew fell, and narrowly escaped being crushed between two moving sections of the deck.

Studio assistants and technicians rushed to pick him up.

He protested: "I'm not hurt, please leave me alone," but was rushed off to the studio hospital, where an X-ray examination revealed he had suffered no major injuries.

To-day, though limping, he insisted on attending the studio school.

The final days of work on the film have been marked by several unusual incidents, among them the refusal of Mr. Spencer Tracy to plunge into the water for the filming of rescue scenes.

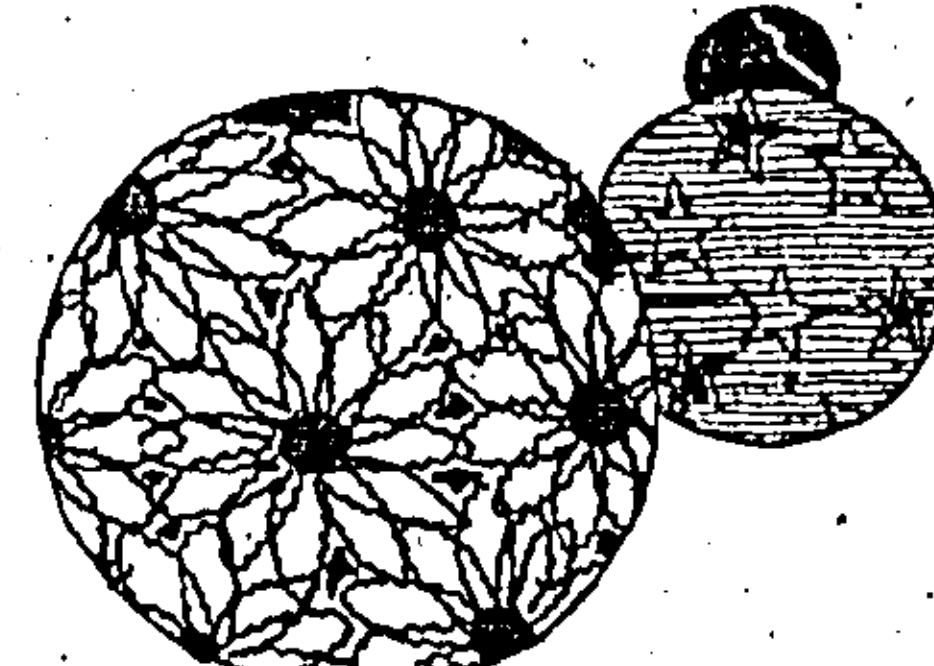
William Crady, the studio casting director, who endeavoured to persuade Mr. Tracy to reconsider his attitude, left the employ of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer suddenly on Saturday.

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CRUISE LINER

ARRIVES

(Continued from Page 1.)

Smith, Mrs. George D. Allison, of Cleveland, and her daughter, Miss Nancy Allison.

William J. Donaldson, of Knoxville, Tenn., accompanied by Mrs. Donaldson, the Misses Lucie, Emily and Angeline, Donaldson, Jr., Dr. Robert W. Gibbs, of Columbia, S.C., with Mrs. Gibbs and Dr. Jane Bruce Guignard.

Baron Hans von Bleichroeder, of Berlin and the Baroness Anna Backs, of Berlin.

Daniel L. Bauer, of Chicago, well-known X-ray technician, with Ambrose Bowyer, of Chicago, with Mrs. Bowyer and Mrs. J. F. Stewart, Mrs. Allen E. Towne, of Chicago, Mrs. Lettie M. Parker Dalquist, part owner of the Parker-Leland Hotel in Minot, N.D. Mrs. John McNaughton, of Neenah, Wis., and her daughter, Miss Margaret H. McNaughton, H. S. Vincent, and Mrs. Vincent, Mrs. C. A. Roberts, and Miss Nancy Welles, of Fort Dodge, Iowa, W. H. Meyer, of Denver, accompanied by Mrs. Meyer and Miss Lois Meyer, Dr. Frank E. Wiedemann, of Terre Haute, Ind., with Mrs. Wiedemann, Dr. A. J. Backenstoe, H. F. Haldeman, Mrs. Haldeman and Miss Day Haldeman, Harold P. Cooper and Mrs. Cooper, Judge Jesse W. Olney and Mrs. Olney, Fred Fogt Gale Harper.

Munsey Slack, newspaper publisher of Bristol, Tenn., and Mrs. Slack. Baron Gisbert von Romberg-Killing.

Baron Manfred von Richthofen and Count Albert von Reichenberg.

COLONY'S SURPLUS

YEAR'S REVENUE
EXCEEDS ESTIMATES

Indication of the improved conditions in Hongkong are contained in the financial returns of the Colony for last year, issued in the Government Gazette on Saturday.

Although a deficit of approximately \$3,000,000 was estimated, the returns show that actually revenue exceeded expenditure by about \$500,000. This compares with a surplus of about \$200,000 for 1935.

Estimated revenue for 1936 was \$26,071,845, but actually \$30,042,083 was received, an increase of \$3,771,138. For 1935 the revenue amounted to \$28,430,540.

The estimated expenditure for 1936 was \$26,598,148, but actually \$26,513,920 was expended, in comparison with \$28,291,630 in 1935.

An analysis of the figures shows that revenue-producing departments which showed increases over 1935 were duties, post and harbour dues, were duties, post and harbour dues, and land sales. Those which did not reach the estimated figure were the Kowloon-Canton railway, rents, interest and miscellaneous.

K.C.R. Expense Drops

On the expenditure side, most departments increased their 1935 costs. Those which did not were the air services, Crown Solicitor's Office, Land Office, Kowloon-Canton Railway, military contribution, charitable grants, charges on account of public debt and public works recurrent.

The biggest revenue increase came from duties, the year's figures being \$1,784,834 above those for 1935. Kowloon-Canton Railway receipts dropped by \$100,205, but to offset that, expenditure was \$104,000 less.

Post Office receipts improved by \$299,225 and port and harbour dues by \$152,677.

The biggest increase in expenditure occurred in pensions, which at \$2,277,745 cost \$732,141 more than in 1935. The Public Works Department expenditure increased by \$109,000.

There was a drop of \$482,703 in the military contribution.

The statement of assets and liabilities on December 31 shows an excess of assets over liabilities of \$12,917,132.

LINDBERGH'S HOME-BOUND

Baghdad, Mar. 28. Col. and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh, who are returning to Europe by easy stages, left here in their private plane for Aleppo, en route to Turkey, today.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 16th APRIL, 1937, at 2.30 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Accounts to 31st December, 1936, and of declaring Dividend, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 29th MARCH to 16th APRIL, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1937.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 16th APRIL, 1937, at 2.50 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Accounts to 31st December, 1936, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 29th MARCH to 16th APRIL, By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1937.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE
COMPANY, LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 16th APRIL, 1937, at 2.55 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Accounts to 31st December, 1936, and of declaring Dividend, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 29th MARCH to 16th APRIL, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1937.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 48th Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 31st day of March, 1937, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1936.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 24th March, 1937, to Wednesday, the 31st March, 1937, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

T. C. T. BECK,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1937.

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The Fifty-sixth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Paddar Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 8th April, 1937, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 1st to 22nd April inclusive.

By order of the Board,

JARDINE, MATHESON &
CO., LTD.
General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1937.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that Andrei Makarovitch Molisev of 28 Carnarvon Road, 2nd floor, Kowloon, is applying to the Government for naturalization, and that any person who knows any reason why naturalization should not be granted should send a written and signed statement of the facts to the Colonial Secretary.

HONG KONG ST. ANDREW'S
SOCIETY.

Attention of Members is drawn to a Recital by Madame "Scotia", Barless of the Gorsedd, to take place in the Helena May Institute on Tuesday, 30th March, 1937, at 9.20 p.m.

ST. JOHN BRIGADE
INSPECTION BY COL.
J. L. SLEEMAN

The great necessity of having an adequate ambulance corps and nursing divisions at all times, and particularly during times of emergency and war, was stressed by Colonel J. L. Sleeman, Chief Commissioner of the Brigade Overseas, at an inspection of the Hong Kong Ambulance Corps and Association yesterday.

The parade was held on the open Naval Recreation ground at Causeway Bay in the morning, when a full attendance of Brigade members and Nursing Divisions was present.

A very smart appearance was presented by the men and nurses, as they stood in line up, the men to the east of the parade ground, and the nurses to the north.

The Brigade Divisions taking part in the inspection, with their Divisional Superintendents, were the Hongkong Y.M.C.A. (under Mr. Wong Kam-cheung), King's College (under Mr. Tse Long-chiu), Indian (under Mr. M. A. Khan), Kowloon Y.M.C.A. (under Mr. Ho Siew-mun), Mongkok (under Mr. Fan Shiu-nam), South China Athletic (under Mr. Lam Sing-wo), Chinese Athletic (under Mr. Chan Ping-kwong), Wanchai (under Mr. B. A. Hyder), Central (under Mr. Man Pok-tung), Eastern (under Mr. Yau Pok-tung), South China Athletic Cadets, Indian Cadets, and Motor Drivers (under Mr. Lui Pak-ikwan).

The Nursing Divisions and their Divisional Superintendents and Nursing Officers present were the Victoria (under Mrs. Watson), Y.W. C.A. (under Miss Alice Kwok), King's College (under Miss Teang Chung-ling), Man Chuen (under Miss Leung Sik-yu), Mui Fong (under Miss Lu Yui-yung), Mongkok (under Miss Gene Pang), Central (Miss Chan Yui-hing), Sun Shio (under Miss Lai Po-sim), and To Shuk (under Miss Chu).

The Band of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. (Hongkong) Division also attended the inspection.

Official Party

Col. Sleeman was accompanied on his inspection of the Corps and Nursing Divisions by Mr. A. Morris (Director of Ambulance), Mr. Chak Tai-kwong (Corps Superintendent), Mrs. R. Langley (Hon. Secretary), Mr. A. A. Kelly (District Officer), Dr. S. S. Strahan, Dr. (Mrs.) A. L. J. Dovey (Corps Surgeons), Mr. A. H. Rumbold, Mr. Leung Sui-sang and Mr. Sz To-chung (Corps Officers). Other officers present were Dr. (Mrs.) P. Rutledge, Mrs. Macdonald, Miss Lopez, and Miss G. Choo. Dr. J. E. Dovey was present.

After inspecting every unit, Col. Sleeman addressed the parade, which had formed into a hollow square. He said: "Mr. Morris, Mr. Chak, Officers and Brothers of St. John Ambulance and Brigade, and Brothers and Sisters of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, I want first of all to say what a very great pleasure it is to me to be here to-day to inspect your parade. During the whole tour, which I have now made of the Empire, I have looked forward to this moment more than I can tell you, because the reputation of the Hongkong Corps is very high. You have at times been severely tested, and never have you failed the Brigade of which I have the honour to be Chief Commissioner.

"I have, indeed, the highest possible respect for the magnificent example which has been shown by the Chinese and Indians in Hongkong. Your entire attitude to assist towards the formation of the Corps has come practically entirely out of Chinese pockets. You have the honour to-day to belong to an organization in the British Empire totalling a million ambulance men and nursing sisters like yourselves, every one of which I have had the honour now of meeting. As you will observe that I took occasion to shake hands with each one of you. That is because I can only see you once every five years, as my tour takes three and a half years to complete.

"Before I leave the Headquarters of the Grand Priory in London, His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, of whom I have the honour to represent on these tours, always takes me by the hand and asks me to convey that handshake to every one in the Empire who has the honour to call himself Brother or Sister of the Order of St. John.

Work of Humanity

"Remember that it is how we should regard ourselves—brothers and sisters engaged in this great work of humanity, rendering in peace time first aid services, and in the event of a still greater emergency ready, efficient and disciplined to carry out your part by the hand and arms we know, during the South African and Great Wars, but it is not only in war time that ambulance services are so required. Many of you on parade to-day have been the means of saving human life, and have been responsible for bringing relief to suffering. I have seen the work you have

Shipping Intelligence

Shipping Companies are requested to forward, as early as possible information regarding arrivals, departures, time and mooring, place and other movements. Urgent information should be telephoned to the shipping Editor, Phone 26615.

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ARRIVED YESTERDAY (Agents Phone Numbers Given)

ALIPORE (B.I.), from Bombay, 6 a.m. KOWLOON WHARF. 2721.

AKITA MARU (N.Y.K.), from Japan, 3021.

ANSHUN (B. & S.), from Singapore, West Point. 3031.

SCHIANHORST (Melchers) from Shanghai, B.D. SINGKIUNG (B. & S.), from Shanghai, noon, West Point. 3031.

SECHUEN (B. & S.), from Foochow, West Point. 3031.

TAKSANG (J.M.), from Shanghai, West Point. 3031.

TJISALAK (J.C.J.L.), from Java, 4 p.m. A.2. 28015.

TJINEGARA (J.C.J.L.), from Europe, p.m. A.2.

YUENSANG (J.M.), from Kobe, a.m. Kowloon Wharf. 3031.

SAILED YESTERDAY (Agents Phone Numbers Given)

BURHO MARU (O.S.K.), for Keelung, 10 a.m. Kowloon Wharf. 2601.

HILAM (Thoresen) for Swatow, B.D. 30237.

NINGHAI (B. & S.) for Swatow, 10 a.m. West Point. 3031.

SCHIANHORST (Melchers) for America, 6 p.m. Kowloon Wharf. 2772.

SELTAN (Douglas) for Swatow, 6 p.m. Kowloon Wharf. 2807.

SILVERTEAK (FURNES) for America, 10 a.m. Kowloon Dock. 23105.

SECHUEN (B. & S.) for Swatow, West Point. 3031.

YUENSANG (J.M.) for Calcutta, 2 p.m. Kowloon Wharf. 3031.

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PENANG MARU (N.Y.K.) from Japan, 8 a.m. Kowloon Wharf. 30201.

RELIANCE (Jebson) from Manila, 8 a.m. Kowloon Wharf. 2601.

PENANG MARU (N.Y.K.) for Amoy, 2.30 p.m. Kowloon Wharf. 2721.

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SHINGHONG (B. & S.) for Amoy, 3 p.m. West Point. 3031.

done here in Hongkong and in the New Territories. While you give up your spare time and employ your free time on holidays to engage in this magnificent work for your people without financial reward at all, there are many others, as you know, who do nothing to prepare themselves to take part in an emergency. You have here over a million people; you have in the Nursing Divisions and Ambulance Brigade but 700. A great many of that million should in normal times be doing something to prepare for an emergency. It is an honour to you of the 700 that you have not followed that example of selfishness and neglect of those unhappy others who meet with accident or require vaccination or should require home nursing and are unable to afford nurses or services.

"We are doing that magnificent work for civilization. Indeed, when we look at the Western world as we see it to-day, in its state of perpetual wars, and Europe divided into an armed camp, and hatred, ill-will, and bitterness characteristic features of the time, the more do I admire China and the Chinese people for the magnificent way in which to-day you are aiming at a high standard in every respect; and those of you who have the honour to be serving for peace have followed elsewhere what men and wars never could gain.

Felicitations

"I would convey to you the very deepest and warmest wishes from brothers and sisters overseas, in Canada, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, India and Ceylon, who, in each of those places, when I inspected their ambulances and nursing divisions, knew I was coming here, asked me to convey their warmest love to you all. If you could only see that magnificent army of peace, of men and women like yourselves who treat over half a million accident cases a year for nothing, but who serve ready in any emergency. That is the honour of belonging to one of His Majesty's Orders, of St. John of Jerusalem.

"Five or six of you, owing again to the generosity of the Chinese people here in Hongkong, are going to make a tour to England to represent you at the Coronation of His Majesty

NORVIKEN (J.M.) for Shanghai, 4 p.m. West Point. 3031.

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SECHUEN (B. & S.) for Swatow, 10 a.m. West Point. 3031.

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RELIANCE (Jebson) for Shanghai, 6 p.m. Kowloon Wharf. 2601.

TJISALAK (J.C.J.L.) for Japan, 8 p.m. A.2. 28015.

TJINEGARA (J.C.J.L.) for Samarang, 10 a.m. A.2. 28015.

ARRIVING TO-MORROW (Agents Phone Numbers Given)

ALIPORE (B.I.), from Bombay, 6 a.m. Kowloon Wharf. 2721.

AKITA MARU (N.Y.K.), from Japan, 3021.

ANSHUN (B. & S.), from Singapore, West Point. 3031.

SCHIANHORST (Melchers) from Shanghai, B.D. SINGKIUNG (B. & S.), from Shanghai, noon, West Point. 3031.

SECHUEN (B. & S.), from Foochow, West Point. 3031.

TAKSANG (J.M.), from Shanghai, West Point. 3031.

TJISALAK (J.C.J.L.), from Java, 4 p.m. A.2. 28015.

TJINEGARA (J.C.J.L.), from Europe, p.m. A.2.

YUENSANG (J.M.), from Kobe, a.m. Kowloon Wharf. 3031.

SAILED YESTERDAY (Agents Phone Numbers Given)

BURHO MARU (O.S.K.), for Keelung, 10 a.m. Kowloon Wharf. 2601.

HILAM (Thoresen) for Swatow, B.D. 30237.

NINGHAI (B. & S.) for Swatow, 10 a.m. West Point. 3031.

SCHIANHORST (Melchers) for America, 6 p.m. Kowloon Wharf. 2772.

SELTAN (Douglas) for Swatow, 6 p.m. Kowloon Wharf. 2807.

SILVERTEAK (FURNES) for America, 10 a.m. Kowloon Dock. 23105.

SECHUEN (B. & S.) for Swatow, West Point. 3031.

YUENSANG (J.M.) for Calcutta, 2 p.m. Kowloon Wharf. 3031.

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the King, and at the Jubilee celebrations of the Order of St. John which are to be held next week after. Those who are very lucky, I wish I was able to take you all back with me; but that would be rather expensive. But if you were there and saw those special investments of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem which His Majesty the King as sovereign head will hold in Buckingham Palace, and if you could join the Garden Party which His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught is holding for those attending the Jubilee celebrations, you would realise as never before the great dignity and historic quality of the Order of St. John. I would compliment you on your uniform, which is admirable. I am impressed by the nurses' costumes, which are smart, workmanlike and very suitable for your climate. I would congratulate the men upon their very fine and workmanlike uniform, the manner in which it is cut, and also the manner in which they wear it. I am very impressed with the standard of efficiency and would convey to you as my last words the very best thanks of His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught for the magnificent work you have done, and congratulations to you for being long to this Order of St. John. Thank you."

Following the address, the Brigade reformed in column and marched past Col. Sleeman, who took the salute. He expressed his great satisfaction in their turn-out. The parade then dispersed.

Col. Sleeman left the Colony last night for Canton, where he had been invited by the Chinese Red Cross to meet their members. He is returning on Tuesday for the Annual Inspection of the Brigade by His Excellency the Governor. The parade will be taken by Col. Sleeman who will hand over to His Excellency upon his arrival on the parade ground.

Attention is drawn to the fact that the concert to be given to-morrow at the Helena May Institute by Madame "Scotia", Barless of the Gorsedd, takes place at 9.20 p.m.

POST OFFICE.

EASTER HOLIDAYS

To-day, Monday, March 29, the Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. and the Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. and also from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. The General Post Office will be closed to allow for periodical painting and decorating.

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HOSPITAL CASES

CHINESE INJURED IN PEDESTRIAN COLLISION

Several persons were admitted to Government hospitals on Saturday after accidents.

While walking along Connaught Road Central a man named Woo Hok-chee was accidentally bumped by another Chinese and, losing his footing on the wet pavement, fell and hurt his head. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from concussion.

A Chinese baby girl named Chin Yuk-ying, of 31 Po Tak Street, was taken to hospital suffering from burns accidentally received.

A coolie named Cha Kim was also taken to the Government Civil Hospital when he was hit by a piece of rock during blasting operations at Stanley. He is in a serious condition.

MAN STABBED IN STREET

While walking along Queen's Road East on Friday, Chung Cheung, a 39-year-old man, was stabbed in the back with some sharp instrument by an unknown man who managed to make his escape. Chung had a serious wound, and was taken to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

Receiving injuries as a result of being assaulted in Spring Garden Lane on Friday, Wu Kau, an electrician employed in the Naval Dockyard, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital.

FIXING A DATE FOR EASTER

(Continued from Page 6.)

be exact—already employ a 13-month calendar, among them being the Chinese, Hindus and Buddhists.

TAKING THE PLUNGE

A conservative habit of mind is very general in Britain. It took us 170 years to summon up enough courage to adopt the Gregorian calendar which had been in use in Europe since 1582. Even then we did not get rid of the injustice done to February when the Emperor Augustus took one of its days and added it to those of August in order that his own birth should not be inferior to that of Julius.

As for our wandering Easter, it is those in northern latitudes who suffer most from the device of the Council of Nicea in 325.

And as there is no longer need of the moon's light to illumine the path of Easter pilgrims to Holy places, the absence of the Paschal full moon will not be a serious disadvantage, though I admit that in many places, notably Jerusalem, dark nights at this time would be deplored.

When the Christian world was mainly on Mediterranean shores it did not matter that the date of the feast might vary by 35 days. But as the forest lands to the north were cleared and the missionaries reached lands of less genial spring climate, the uncertainty of Easter was of importance. The surprising thing is that we have put up with it so long.

CINEMA NOTES

Darryl F. Zanuck, Twentieth Century-Fox production chief, in assigning to Tyrone Power the leading male role in "Loyals of London," whose triumph, which has its run at screen triumph, and Alhambra Theatres to-day, gives that young man one of the most coveted characterisations of the year. The opportunity of over-night stardom was granted the young player as a result of his outstanding performances in two previous Twentieth Century-Fox pictures. "Loyals of London" finds Tyrone in the role of Jonathan Blake, who carves a brilliant career for himself in the great international insurance firm whose fortunes, he brings to its greatest peak. At the height of his meteoric career Jonathan falls in love with Madeleine Carroll, who with Freddie Bartholomew, who of the year young Jonathan, is starred in the production. The romance, however, is ill-starred from the beginning and it is not until a thrilling climax culminating in Admiral Lord Nelson's thrilling happiness. Sir Guy Standing, C. Aubrey Smith and Virginia Field. Directed by Henry King, with Kenneth Macgowan as associate producer, the screen play by Ernest Pascal and Walter Ferris was adapted from the original story by Curtis Kenyon.

"Charge of Light Brigade" the Warner Bros. picture co-starring Errol Flynn and Olivia de Havilland, is now on the screen of the King's Theatre. The soul-stirring spirit of Lord Tennyson's immortal poem "Charge of the Light Brigade" carries through the tragic love story of the two English brothers who love the same Scottish girl, makes up the real substance of the story. It is at an Army post in India that the idyll of Captain Geoffrey Vickers and Elsa Campbell begins and ends. The ill-fated lovers are unfortunately portrayed by Errol Flynn and Olivia de Havilland. Errol Flynn gives a magnificent performance both as the lover and the fighting warrior who deliberately changes his superior's order of attack, himself leading the Light Brigade into the "mouth of hell". Olivia de Havilland is extremely moving as the girl who is torn between the loves of the two brothers. The character is drawn with a sympathy and understanding rare in so young an actress. Patric Knowles who was brought from England to play the role of Geoffrey's brother, portrays the part with fine artistry and oddity enough. greatly resembles Errol Flynn. All the members of the large cast are admirably suited to their parts, but special mention is deserved by Henry Stephenson, Field Marshall in the Crimea; Nigel Bruce, Commander of the Light Brigade; Donald Crisp as the father of the heroine and one of those slain at Chukot; David Niven and G. P. Huntley, Jr., as Army officers; C. Huntley Gordon as Surat Khan, Amir of Suristan; and Spring Byington as the wife of a British Army officer.

"To Mary With Love" a love story, gallant and glorious, of two modern sweethearts, hiding their tears and holding back their

CABARET DANCE

BY ROYAL ENGINEERS OLD COMRADES ASSOCIATION

The Royal Engineers Old Comrades Association will hold a carnival dance and cabaret in the Peninsula Hotel at 8.30 p.m. on Saturday. Notification to reserve tables has already been sent to members, and owing to heavy booking it is requested that this be done at once, and not later than Friday.

The cabaret will begin at 10.20 p.m. Dancing will continue until 2 a.m., music being supplied by the Seaforth Band. Among the cabaret artists are Miss Ann Winter and a ballet presented by George Goncharoff. The function will be a farrowell to members who are due to leave shortly. Tickets, which can be purchased at the door, are \$1 for ladies and \$1.50 for men.

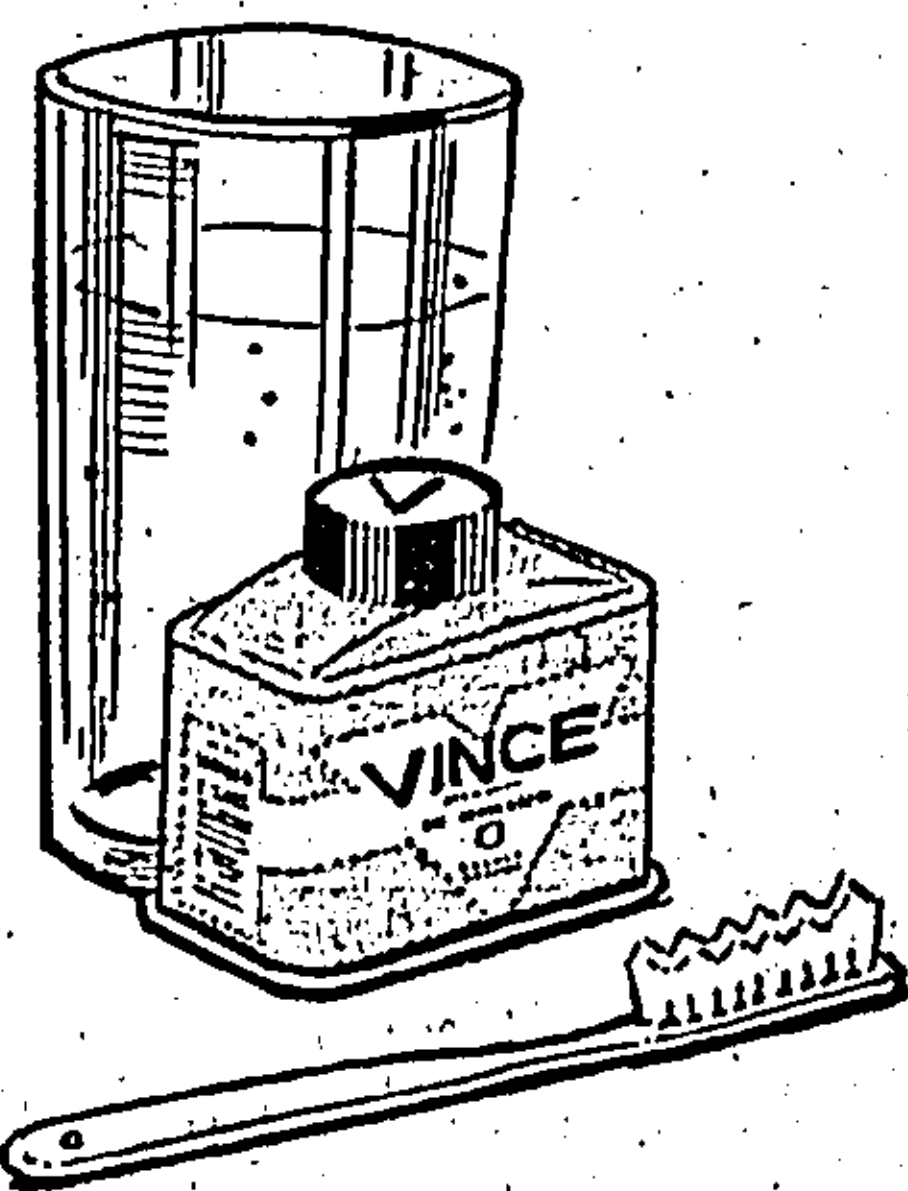
hurts, romancing lightly yet loving deeply. "To Mary—With Love," Twentieth Century-Fox triumph, is playing at the Star Theatre. Co-starring Warner Baxter and Myrna Loy for the third time, and providing them with a story and background which enables them to surpass the heights they reached together in "Penthouse" and "Broadway Bill," the picture is an important and appealing story of love to-day, a splendid love that takes its place with the screen's great romances. Baxter and Miss Loy are superb, throughout, while Ian Hunter and Claire Trevor competently portray their roles. Jean Dixon is also featured in the production, which was directed by John Cromwell, with Kenneth Macgowan associate producer.

The producers who gave you "Broadway Melody of 1936" and "The Great Ziegfeld" come through with another smash musical success in "Born to Dance," which opened on Saturday at the Majestic Theatre with Eleanor Powell, "Queen of Taps," dancing her way to fresh triumphs to the scintillating song hits of Cole Porter who here tops even his famed "You're the Top." There is so much talent in the supporting cast that it is difficult to single any one artist for special praise. Mention must be made, however, of the excellent performances of James Stewart as the hero, Virginia Bruce as the temperamental stage star, Una Merkel and Sid Silvers furnishing the laughs, Frances Langford of the lovely voice, Raymond Walburn, Alan Dinehart and Buddy Ebsen, eccentric hoofs.

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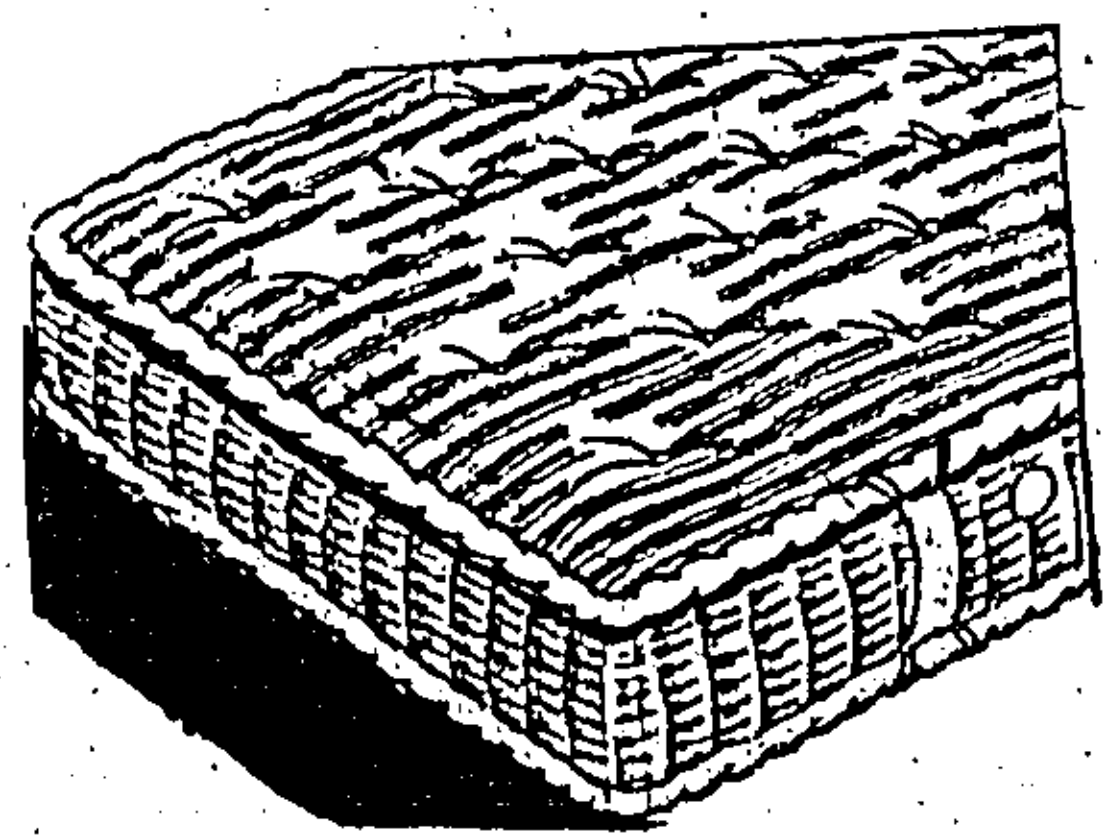
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DEATH

KISTNER.—On Easter Sunday, 1937,
Dolinda Anne, beloved baby of
Noel and Frank Kistner, aged
five months.

The
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MONDAY, MARCH 29, 1937.

AN EMPIRE
COUNCIL?

Advantage is being taken of
the presence in London during
the Coronation observances of
numerous Dominion statesmen
for the purpose of holding an-
other Imperial Conference, at
which important matters of com-
mon concern to the Motherland
and the overseas Dominions will
be discussed. Such gatherings
take place all too infrequently.
It is true that High Commis-
sions are always on hand when
issues arise which affect the
Dominions, and that in these
days of rapid communication
consultation is greatly facilitat-
ed. The Committee of Imperial
Defence provides another valued
link. But these are not ade-
quate substitutes for the neces-
sities of the case. Hence the
proposal that there should be
established in London a Com-
mon Council of Empire to deal
with the many Imperial ques-
tions which are constantly aris-
ing. London is obviously the
centre for such a body, which
would be representative both of
the Mother Country and the self-
governing Dominions, and which
would be in more or less constant
session. The United Kingdom,
in its dealings with the Domini-
ons, always keeps well in mind
the rights of the Dominions,
which have been placed on a very
definite basis under the Statute
of Westminster. It has been
clearly shown in recent years
that the Motherland takes no
action or adopts no formula
without due and proper con-
sultation with overseas Govern-
ments. None the less, it is well
recognised that Great Britain is
still the mainstay of the Empire,
the only source to which the
Dominions can look for effective
protection against possible ag-
gressors. Even the Irish Free
State owes much to the guar-
dianship of the Navy. Thus,
apart altogether from ties of
blood and sentiment, never
stronger than they are to-day,
self-interest will ensure the
homogeneity of the Empire for
many years to come. The
Dominions are too weak in popu-
lation and defensive resources
to enable them to stand alone,
even if, which is not the case,
they desired to do so. But there
does seem some necessity for
the setting up of a representa-
tive body which would concern
itself with all matters of com-
mon interest to the Empire as a
whole—a body which would pro-
vide that personal contact which

TWICE ONE IS SOMETIMES
MORE THAN TWOThe
Cost of the
second baby

• This is one father's explanation
of the declining birth rate. He
believes it is the middle-class
point of view. Do YOU agree?

FALLING

ALTHOUGH the population in-
creased by two and two-
thirds millions between 1921 and
1934, the birth-rate has fallen by
one-third during the last genera-
tion.
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During the last 13 years the
average number of persons per
family has fallen from 4.17 to
3.88.
From 1841 to 1850 there were
32.6 live births per 1,000 popula-
tion. In 1901 this had shrunk to
28.5 in 1925 to 18.3. In 1934 it
was only 14.8.

I DON'T believe it. And
I don't believe that the man
to appeal to is the Minister of Health.
With all due respect to Sir Kingsley
Wood, I maintain that the man who
should be first tackled is the Chan-
cellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville
Chamberlain.
Biologically it is, I suppose, es-
sential to have healthy parents to
produce healthy children. No one
is going to dispute this.
But even healthy parents cannot
be forced to produce children.
Furthermore, I believe it is es-
tablished that we are all healthier

than our grandparents and even
healthier than our parents—that is,
we are better physical specimens
and live longer. Good health means
"bigger and better," but not neces-
sarily more children.

I BELIEVE that the number
of married couples in
England who refuse to have
children because they dislike them is
negligible. On the other hand, I be-
lieve that by far the greater majority
want children—several children, and
not just one or two.
But they also want to be able
to provide a decent existence and

education for their children with
a fair prospect of a good job when
they are grown up.

I know it will be said that this
is mainly a middle-class view, and
an upper-middle-class at that.

Granted. But this middle-class
view is spreading downwards, eco-
nomically speaking, and from my
own inquiries and observations is
making headway among the people
who earn less but provide more
children.

The question is not so much one
of health, but pounds, shillings and
pence. And it is not so much a
problem for the man who looks
after our health as for the man who
every year puts his hand in the
pockets of so many of us and adds
to the hardship of life; the Chan-
cellor of the Exchequer.

AND what has the Chancellor
done to solve this problem?
To my mind—and I think this is
the view of most parents—the Chan-
cellor's idea of children allowances
shows complete disregard of the
economic conditions of our middle-
class taxpayers.

His "£60 allowance for each child"
makes one wonder what he knows of
the household budget.

He seems to have worked it out by
simple arithmetic, very simple arith-
metic, like one and one make two.
A man with one child gets £60
knocked off. Therefore a man with
two children gets £120, and so on.

Very simple—for the Chancellor of
the Exchequer, but not so simple for
Mr. Smith.

Before their first child came the
Smiths were getting along fairly
comfortably in their three-bed-room
house.

Mrs. Smith was able to look after
her modern-equipped home, cook
the meals, keep the home clean and
tidy, do a certain amount of washing
and mending, and live just on the
right side of her salary.

THEN came Smith, jun., to add
to the weekly budget and
to Mrs. Smith's daily work for the
home.

But she could still manage to look
after her baby and keep her home
spick and span.

And Mr. Smith, when he filled in
his income tax form, claimed the
£60 a kind-hearted Chancellor al-
lowed for young Smith.

The Smiths love children, and a
year later a second little Smith
arrives. Now things begin to grow
complicated for Mrs.
Smith, with two young
babies and a house to
look after.

Of course, the Chan-
cellor allows Mr. Smith an-
other £60 off his income
tax for his second child.
But the actual tax rebate
which this makes does not
cover baby's food, to say
nothing of clothes,
chemist's and the
numerous other inciden-
tals in all babies' early
days. And now Mrs. Smith finds it
impossible, with two babies, to run
her home properly. She has to engage
a charwoman at seven shillings a day
or hire a maid-servant whose wages
have to be paid and whose hunger
has to be appeased.

The Smiths' income is reduced by
exactly that much. And does the
Chancellor of the Exchequer make an
allowance for this? Not on your
life!

In his view Mrs. Smith should find
a way of looking after her two small
children and running her home—
without help.

And if a third young Smith comes
before the other two are old enough
to keep on their legs, she must per-
form the same miracle—or even a
harder one.

But hundreds of thousands of
Smiths in this country are refusing to
go on working this kind of miracle,
and until the Chancellor of the Ex-
chequer takes the trouble to learn
as much about household budget
balancing as he knows about national
Budget balancing, they will go on re-
fusing.

HENCE my advice to the
National Association of
Insurance Committees, or any other
bodies concerned with our falling
birthrate: Appeal first to the Chan-
cellor of the Exchequer.

He is the "big bad wolf" for the
average middle-class family man.

F. J. Tuckfield

FIXING A DATE FOR EASTER

Steps to World-wide Calendar Reform in
Time for January 1939

By C. B. MORTLOCK

LESS than a year ago the
Easter holidays were all
over, and we were back at work
again for a fortnight. Next
year on March 23 we shall have
more than a week to go before
Easter. Then in 1940 Easter
Day will be within two days of
the earliest it can contrive—
that is to say, March 24.

We are so inured to the variableness
of Easter, which in its turns
governs Whitsun, that not many
people stop to inquire how it comes
about that the date of Easter
fluctuates in what seems the most
arbitrary fashion through the five
weeks between March 22 and April
25.

When I was a small boy I used
sometimes to beguile the tedium of
sermon-time by trying to work out
the "Table to Find Easter" which is
among the early pages of the Prayer
Book. I never succeeded. Looking
at it again, I notice that its mysteri-
ous system of Dominical Letters and
Golden Numbers is worked out to the
year 2100 inclusive.

ACT ALREADY PASSED

Meanwhile there is an Act of Par-
liament on the Statute Book—the
Easter Act, 1928—which definitely
fixes Easter as the Sunday after the
second Saturday in April, which is
how it happened to fall last year.
The Act has not yet the force of law
because it provides that it shall not
come into operation except by Order
in Council, which shall not be issued
until the various Christian bodies
have signified their approval.
So far as the Church of England
and other religious bodies are con-
cerned there is no difficulty in the
way, but the change cannot be effect-
ed without the adherence of the
Roman Catholic Church. In 1921
Cardinal Bourne expressed his be-
lief that the Vatican would sanction
the proposal for a fixed Easter pro-
vided there was a practically unani-
mous request to that effect from the
principal Governments of the world.

Obviously the change must be made
by world-wide agreement, and a con-
sequence of that factor is that the
proposal for a fixed Easter is bound
up with calendar reform generally.

Neither proposal is new. The
calendar reform of Pope Gregory
XIII, in the 16th century—bringing
into calculations a fictitious moon to

make the incidence of Easter un-
iform, which the real moon could not
—had its critics among the Roman
Catholic clergy, who pointed out the
desirability of a fixed date for Easter.

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and wrote: "How much better it
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are fixed and not movable, so that
everybody might know exactly, and
without trouble or dispute, the dates
of Easter and the feasts depending
on Easter." He added, "As things
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form to correct the calendar and fix
Easter."

FICTITIOUS MOON

EVERY MONTH FOUR WEEKS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

13 PERIODS OF FOUR WEEKS
THE CONSTANT MONTH

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The most sweeping plan of calendar
reform is that by which the year
would be divided into 13 lunar
months of 28 days each, the one day
left over being named Year Day and
reckoned as a public holiday. But
even that is not new, for it was ad-
vocated by Auguste Comte, the
French philosopher, more than a
hundred years ago. A great attrac-
tion of the 13-month year is that the
days of the week would always fall
on the same dates in the month.

The housewife would no longer be
faced with five week-ends catering
for four weeks' pay; employers would
not occasionally have 53 pay-days in
the year instead of 52; school and
college terms would be regular, and
all comparative statistics simplified.
In fact the arguments in support of
the 13-month year can be multiplied
almost indefinitely; indeed, there are
many public bodies, including Gov-
ernment departments and railways,
as well as business undertakings, who
do in fact divide their financial year
into 13 four-weekly periods.

In most countries of the world
weekly and four-weekly periods are
used for vital statistics. For almost
all scientific comparisons into which
a time element enters the irregularity
of the calendar has to be redressed.
One of the principal objections to
the plan is that the 13-month year is
not divisible into quarters, but the
tendency in commerce is to work on
a monthly basis.

The sentimental objection is prob-
ably stronger. Everybody with a
birthday on the 29th, 30th or 31st
of any present month would find him-
self with a strange date in another
month, and some of us would be
keeping our birthdays and other
cherished anniversaries in the pro-
posed new month of Sol which would
come between June and July. In
fact, strictly speaking, all birthdays
and anniversaries after Jan. 28 would
be displaced.

On the whole, however, the advan-
tages heavily outweigh the dis-
advantages, especially since it has
been calculated that a colossal sum
would be released for business ex-
pansion and other purposes owing
to the shortening of the month. For
instance, for every £31 of liquid
capital now circulating in every sort
of business undertaking conducted

on a monthly basis £28 only would
be needed under the new scheme.

CHOICE FOR GENEVA

Since 1923 the matter has been
before the League of Nations which
entrusted it to the Communications
and Transit Committee. That com-
mittee meets only once in four years,
and is to have its next meeting in
October of this year.

In 1927 the secretariat of the
League requested the nations, in-
cluding the United States, to submit
their proposals for calendar reform.
Something like 300 different schemes
were put forward. These have been
reduced by the committee to two.
One is the 13-month year and the
other the equalisation of the quar-
ters. Both provide for a Fixed and
both depend on the insertion of a
Year Day owing to the asymmetrical
habit of the earth in revolving round
the sun in 365.24 days instead of in a
neat 364.

Since the fixed Easter and calen-
dar reform are intertwined there is
some urgency in getting something
done about it. And for this reason,
Thanks largely to the researches of
the Rev. D. F. Fotheringham, vicar
of Charing, Kent, it is now gener-
ally accepted by all ecclesiastical
authorities that the date of the
Crucifixion was on April 7, A.D. 30.
That date is unanimously recom-
mended by the League of Nations
Committee to be observed as Good
Friday. That is the day on which it
will fall according to the present
calendar in 1939.

In that year also January 1 will
fall on a Sunday, thus giving an
opportunity, which will not recur till
1950, of inaugurating the 13-month
year, an essential feature of which is
that each month should begin on a
Sunday.

THIRTEEN MONTHS

There does not seem much likeli-
hood of the reform being carried
through in time to effect the change
by 1939, but there is good reason for
believing that if the British Govern-
ment cared to take the initiative at
Geneva the principal difficulty of
unanimous acceptance would be
overcome.

Lord Feversham, speaking for the
Government in the House of Lords
the other day, argued in reply to
Lord Merthyr, Lord Desborough (the
author of the Easter Act), and the
Archbishop of Canterbury, that
public opinion was not yet prepared,
even if it welcomed reform, to press
for immediate action in any particu-
lar direction.

It is probably true that at a first
glance English public opinion would
be repugnant to the idea of a 13-
month year. In few things are we
so conservative as in our measure-
ment of time, though we should re-
volt at a yard-measure which was
sometimes 36in. and sometimes 34in.
or 37in.

Surprising as it may seem, the
majority of mankind—82 per cent. of
(Continued on Page 6.)

21,642 QUESTIONS FOR A JURY!

This is a
Legal Record!

JUDGES
SET A
TASK

FROM A CORRESPONDENT

PARIS, MAR. 1.
A WORLD'S LAWSUIT RE-
CORD WILL BE ESTAB-
LISHED HERE IN A FEW
WEEKS WHEN A JURY OF
THE HIGH COURT WILL
BE LOCKED IN TO GIVE
ANSWERS TO NO FEWER
THAN 21,642 QUESTIONS!

These questions have been prepared for them by the judges before whom the case, that of three men charged with forging and uttering share certificates, was tried.

The judges have taken weeks considering the questions, which are printed on more than five thousand, foolscap sheets forming a volume twenty-four inches thick.

The previous record for the number of questions put to a jury in a French lawsuit was 1,950 in the Slavsky trial, but on Thursday this record was passed when a jury tackled 2,100 questions.

That record, in turn, will be left far behind by the new affair with its ten times greater number of questions.

The Slavsky jury took twenty-four hours, working night and day, to give their answers, and it is expected that the jury faced with the 21,642 questions will not get through in less than a month.

They will be locked up in specially prepared quarters of the Court, and will not be allowed to communicate with the outer world until their task is over.

HUGE COST

Each question will have to be read out by the foreman and then discussed, after which the foreman will write the answer of the question such as "Yes, with unanimity."

When the task is completed and the jury asked for their verdict the foreman will have to read out each question in its turn and give the answer of his colleagues.

The sum of money involved in the charges is about £5,000, but the trial will cost at least ten times that amount, and as the jury are mostly business men who will be obliged to neglect their own affairs during the days they will be wrestling with these questions, their losses alone will probably surpass the amount at issue in the trial.

THE CASE HAS BROUGHT INTO RELIEF THE CUMBERSOME MACHINERY OF FRENCH LEGAL PROCEDURE, AND THE AGITATION FOR DRASTIC REFORM HAS TAKEN A NEW LEASE OF LIFE AMONG THE CLASS FROM WHICH SUCH JURIES ARE DRAWN.

MAKE BIG HAUL
FROM THE SEA

Mounted Police Have \$100,000
Worth of Opium Recovered
From Fraser

Vancouver, Feb. 28.
Royal Canadian Mounted Police officers here had \$100,000 worth of opium in their possession to-night, but held little hope that the discovery of the narcotic would lead to arrest of anyone responsible for its importation.

The drug, in sacks, was hauled from the Fraser River on the anchor chain of Ss. Gyokoh Maru at New Westminster to-day. The Japanese vessel had anchored in the stream while waiting for dock space.

Investigators said it was the custom of smugglers to cast their bundles of opium into the water, where they were recovered by accomplices dragging from small boats.

WEATHER DETERRENT

The present cache, apparently lost when tossed aboard, might have been submerged for more than a week, R.C.M.P. officers said. Recent cold weather and ice on the river would act as a deterrent to dragging operations, they declared.

Officers said they did not believe the narcotic had been dropped overboard from the Gyokoh Maru. The opium, a long bundle of eleven sacks tied together, each sack containing between fifty and sixty tins, valued at \$200 each, was brought to R.C.M.P. headquarters here this afternoon.

OPERATION ON COUNT
COVADONGA

Third Illness In Twelve
Months

Havana, Mar. 26.
Count Covadonga, eldest son of King Alfonso of Spain, underwent an operation on his thigh to-day. He is stated to be resting comfortably, in spite of the haemophilia (bleeding) from which he has suffered in the past.

The operation was performed at the house of some friends, where the Count lay ill, by the same doctors who attended him during his previous illness in Cuba.

In the course of twelve months Count Covadonga has now been seriously ill three times.—Reuter.



Members of the Russian community who participated in the National Concert held at the St. Andrew's Church Hall recently.

GOLD CURE MADE HIM

WALK AFTER 13 YEARS

And Now His Invalid Chair Is Up
for Sale

Irene Dunne Named
Joint No. 1 Actress

By PAUL HOLT

WISE men of Hollywood—members of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences—are debating at this moment the destiny of a small gold statuette to be awarded to the actress giving the best performance of the year. Five stars are in the final list—Norma Shearer, Luise Rainer, Gladys George, Carole Lombard and Irene Dunne.

Irene Dunne.
The last choice was puzzling me until I saw a new film called "Theodora Goes Wild."

Now I should say it's even money between the Misses Lombard and Dunne.

This film makes news on two counts:

1. It is high comedy of a most unusual brand. Unlike most comedies the fun is sustained to the very last moment. In fact, the curtain is better comedy than the whole.

2. The fun revolves around an actress who has for years had the reputation of a serious and sentimental songbird. This is her first fling at fun and she gives a performance that few actresses in the world could better. If ever there were a dark horse—a really dark horse—that won a big race, that horse should bow politely to Miss Dunne.

"Theodora Goes Wild" carries the crazy comic craze of Hollywood a good many steps further. The lass lives in Lynfield—two stops west of Mr. Deeds' Mandrake Falls—and she writes, under an assumed name, a lurid novel called "The Sinner."

From that point on, it's catch as catch can. A metropolitan arrives in Miss Dunne's village to teach her the facts of life—and Miss Dunne arrives in the metropolitan's village (Manhattan) to teach him a couple of rules of living he never could have caught up with by himself in a decade.

The whole thing is nutty and wild and woolly and thoroughly entertaining. Probably the comedy of the year.

CHINESE TIE UP
STREET TRAFFIC

Thirty Jobless Sit Down On
Calgary Intersection To
Register Their Protest

Calgary, Mar. 12.
Another "sit-down" protest by Chinese on unemployed relief in Calgary was staged to-day.

Shortly after 2 p.m., thirty Chinese, protesting relief grants of \$1.12 a week, marched to the corner of Eighth Avenue and First Street, busy downtown intersection. Some sat between the car tracks, others squatted on the rails and a few lay face-down.

The Orientals halted tram and motor traffic, and attracted scores of shoppers.

"One-by-one" the demonstrators were dragged from the tracks—one police constable handling the job—and when officers arrived from headquarters the demonstration was over. No arrests were made.

Dread
Child
Disease
Conquered

Stanford University,
California, Mar. 15.

AFTER years of research by teams of scientists and doctors, two experimenters here believe that they have at last discovered the means of conquering one of the most terrifying diseases in the world—infantile paralysis.

The experimenters are E. W. Schultz and L. P. Gebhardt. Following up the pioneer work of Charles Armstrong, of the United States Public Health Service, they have discovered a harmless chemical solution, which, when sprayed correctly into the nose, renders monkeys immune from infantile paralysis infection.

It was discovered that the germs of this disease could penetrate the nervous system only by the exposed ends of the nerves of smell, high up in the nose.

Armstrong, experimenting with a weak solution of picric acid and alum, found that he could galvanize these nerves in monkeys. After solution he poured in deadly doses of the infantile paralysis virus.

THOUSANDS SAVED

Last year, when an epidemic of infantile paralysis broke out in the southern States Armstrong was called in and the experiment had a great measure of success.

Thousands of lives were saved. But the solution was not perfect. It did not always prevent the access of the disease germs.

Now, at Stanford University, tests have been made with a weak solution of zinc sulphate.

This, sprayed into the noses of monkeys, has proved effective in preventing infantile paralysis in 100 per cent. of cases.

Now the research workers are striving hard to perfect their attack in time for the deadly epidemic which strikes each summer.

Robot Serviette

Blackpool, Mar. 15.
Hotels and boarding-houses here are adopting a new idea—the serviette pocket, or automatic serviette sorter.

This "table gadget" has become all the rage on the Continent.

The pockettes ensure that guests will always receive their own serviettes. They can be supplied with the guest's name and address.

FOR thirteen years the people of Ashford, Middlesex, have seen and pitied Mr. Maurice Hollands, aged fifty, as he was wheeled around, helpless in his invalid chair.

Their pity turned to amazement yesterday when Mr. Hollands, unaided, strolled along the streets, in and out of shops, happy as a school boy.

After almost every man, woman and child in Ashford had congratulated him, Mr. Hollands said: "This is the first time I have walked for thirteen years."

"All that time, suffering from rheumatoid arthritis, I have tried every known cure I could afford. 'I was almost drugged to death to alleviate the pain. At last doctors said they could do no more for me."

"But a year ago a Harley-street specialist put me on the gold standard. I have a injection of gold once a month. This morning, when I walked, I thought my wife and sons would go mad with excitement."

"I have not worked all through my illness," he added, "but if the improvement continues I'll soon be back into harness. My invalid chair is already up for sale."

YOUR 'SCOTCH' WILL
BE DANISH!

THIS year's "Scotch" whisky is likely to be very much Danish! Practically all the home-grown barley that would normally go to the distilleries of Whisky Valley, on Speyside, has been used to feed farm stock.

With the whisky industry booming, the Scottish Malt Distillers, Ltd., are ready to buy anything up to 20,000 quarters of home barley at 40s a quarter.

It was discovered that the poor that they will almost certainly be forced to go abroad for supplies.

Farmers say they have not got the barley in their fields. Had they been offered 40s a quarter earlier in the season they could have met the demand.

Not foreseeing, though, the distilling industry boom, and expecting only the comparatively low prices of the past few years, they used the barley for feeding stock.

"It is wrong of the distillers to say we are holding back our stock of barley," a Speyside farmer told the Sunday Pictorial. "At 40s it would be well worth our while to let them have it."

"The poor prices offered during the distillers' lean years made barley-growing a bad proposition up here, and a smaller acreage is now being sown."

"We could supply all the needs of the distilleries every year, but should like a guarantee that it would be bought—and at the same price—as is offered for foreign barley of the same quality."

"It doesn't make any difference to the whisky, but it would be just as well to have it all Scotch!"

Haile Selassie
Loses Friend

Washington, Mar. 15.
The death is announced here to-day of Mr. Everett A. Colson, who, with General Virgin, the Swede, and a Swiss, was one of the principal advisers to the Emperor of Abyssinia during the Abyssinian War.—Reuter.

RADIO
BROADCAST

Governor's Cup: Football
Match Commentary

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12.30 A Variety Concert.

Organ Solo—Berceuse de Jocelyn (Godard); Melody in F (Rubinstein).
...Edward O'Henry; Vocal—When I grow too old to dream; Lovely to look at....Irene Dunne; Accordion.
Solos—Sedilal; Bell Ringer....Maurice Alexander; Vocal—Oh! Lee; Rock and Roll....The American Eton Boys; Humorous—A Perfect Lady....Doris Palmer.

1 p.m. Time and Weather.

1.03 Crentore's Band.

Melstefele—Prologue; Selections from Melstefele (Edito, arr. Crentore); "Travata"—Selection (Verdi); "Cavalleria Rusticana"—Selection....(Mascagni).

1.30 Reuter Press: Weather, Time and Announcements.

1.40 p.m. The Russian Balalaika Orchestra.

Pass D'Espagne—Waltz; Down the Mother Volga; Russian Potpourri; Caucasasia (Iwanoff); Polka "Ojra"; Rondo a la Turca (Mozart).

2 p.m. Turner Layton in Songs at the Piano.

Alone again; I feel like a feather in the breeze; When a Mammy smiles; Lancashire Lass; A marriage has been arranged.

2.15 p.m. Close Down.

4.10 The Governor's Cup. A running commentary by Frank V. Read on the football match between the Hongkong Football Association and the Hongkong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation.

5.45 Dance Music

Fox Trot—My Red Letter Day; I'm in a Dancing Mood; (Decca F6066) Serenade in the Night; When the Poppies Bloom Again; (Decca 6067) Lovely to Look at; 1. Won't Dance; (Decca F5644) Life Begins when You're in Love; I Feel Like a Feather in the Breeze; (HMV BD 5042) Waltz—When You're in Love with someone (Parlo F555).

6.30 Grand Opera.

"Madame Butterfly" (Puccini)—And with His Heart So Heavy (Butterfly foretells Pinkerton's return "one fine day").

"Madame Butterfly" (Puccini)—Butterfly is alone with the faithful Suzuki; Rosina Buckman and Nellie Walker. H.K.V. 2008.

"Der Rosenkavalier" Suite (R. Strauss, arr. Namburt)—Presentation of the Silver Rose, Victor 11217/8 Ochs' Waltz....Breakfast Scene and Trio, "Closing Duet"....Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra;

"La Boheme" (Puccini)—Ah Mimi, false one....Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) and Giuseppe de Luca (Baritone).

7 p.m. De Groot and His Concert Orchestra and Howard Jacobs (Saxophone).

Orchestra—The Temple Bells (Amy Woodford-Finden); Saxophone Solo—At Dawning (Cudman); Down in the Forest (Sir Landon Ronald); Orchestra—Les Millions d'Arlequin (Drigo); Old Spanish Song (Louis Aubert); Saxophone Solo—I love the moon (Rubens); From the land of the Sky-Blue Water (Cudman); Orchestra—The Waltz Dream—Selection (O. Strauss).

7.30 p.m. Lucienne Boyer (Soprano).

La Barque d'Yves (Tranchant); Ne dis pas toujours (Lenoir); Dans la fumee (Bos); Parlez-moi d'amour (Lenoir).

7.43 p.m. Harry Roy and His Tiger Ragamuffins.

Rockin' Chair; Georgia on my mind; Lazy Day; Sweet Sue, just you; Heehee Jeables; I wonder where my Baby is to-night; St. Louis Blues; Some of these days; Dinah; After you've gone; Nobody's sweetheart; Gershwin Fox-Trot Medley.

8 p.m. Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Relay from the Ko Shing Theatre (Chinese).

11 p.m. Close Down.

8.05-11 p.m. European Programme from Z.E.K. on a Frequency of 640 kilocycles.

8.05 p.m. Peer Gynt Suite, No. 2, Op.55 (Grieg), played by the New Light Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Eugene Goossens.

Ingrid's lament; Arabian Dance; The return of Peer Gynt; Solveig's song.

8.22 p.m. Four Songs by Danny Malone (Tenor).

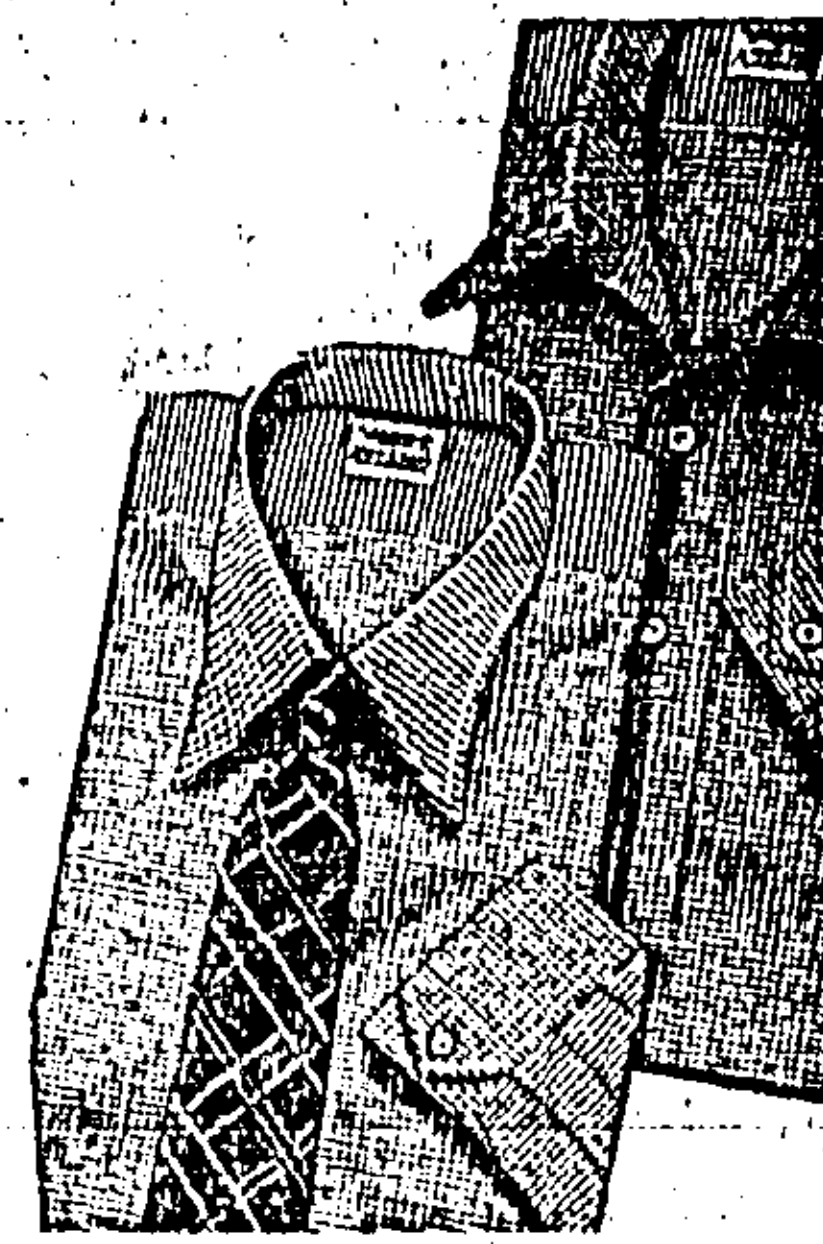
She is far from the land (Hughes); The dear little Shamrock (Jackson); Sweetheart darlin' (Kahn & Stohart); Love's Roses (Broones).

8.35 p.m. Sonata in F Minor, Op. 120, No. 1 (Brahms), played by Lionel Tertis (Viola) and Harriet Cohen (Pianoforte).

1st Movement—Allegro appassionato; 2nd Movement—Andante un poco adagio; 3rd Movement—Allegretto grazioso; 4th Movement—Vivace.

8.55 p.m. London—News and Announcements.

9.15 p.m. Quentin MacLean at the Cinema Organ.
Rhapsody in Blue (Gershwin, arr. MacLean); Fret; Night must fall.
9.30 p.m. Variety.
Vocal—A little dash of Double; Kias me goodnight....Anna Neagle; Instrumental.—Keyboard kapors;

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School Selection; To beat the
band—Selection....Carroll Gibbons
and His Boy Friends; Vocal—Some
of these days....The Mills Brothers.
10 p.m. Dance Memories of Not-
so-long-ago.
Fox-Trot—A little white gardenia;
Be careful, young lady; New moon is
over my shoulder; Slow Fox-Trot—
Smoke gets in your eyes; Slow Fox-
Trot—P.S. I love you; Fox-Trot—
Everything I have is yours; Sing a
little low-down tune; I had to change
the words; I bring to you sweet
music.
10.30 p.m. Dance Hits of to-day.
Fox-Trot—I wasn't lying when I
said I love you; Midnight Blue;
Goodbye, little dream, goodbye; When
a woman smiles; I heard a song in
a taxi.
Fox-Trot—Breakfast in Harlem;
Bojangles of Harlem; A fine romance;
Peter's Pop keeps a lollipop shop;
Waltz—Music in May.
11 p.m. Close Down.

REVISION OF INTERPORT RULES ACCOMPLISHED

COMMITTEE'S WORK TO BE STUDIED BY THE H.K.F.A. COUNCIL

VEXATIOUS RULE 12 IS AMENDED

WELCOME news, brethren! The H.K.F.A.'s Interport sub-committee has completed its revision of the Interport rules; a matter of vital importance which has been allowed to lay dormant for too long. The proposed revisions will come before the next meeting of the F.A. Council, and I don't think there will be any strenuous opposition to them. That aggravating Rule 12 caused the revisionists to ponder, I am told, but I believe they have arrived at a fairly satisfactory conclusion. Henceforth there will be no residential qualification; right to represent either Shanghai or Hongkong will be determined by a player's status in the local league. A regular player in the Hongkong Football League will be regarded as eligible to represent the Colony; Shanghai, applies in like manner to the interpretation of the adjective "regular." How many games in one season does one have to play to become a regular player? Would a player qualify for this status if he played in four or five successive league matches prior to the Interport? What is the position of a player who plays consistently in the league for the first half of the season, is injured, and recovers just before the Interport without having played regularly in the interim?

An Alternative

MY own feeling is, that unless the H.K.F.A. and S.F.A. agree to definitions of this term "regular," it may cause a lot of misunderstanding as the old rule which set down a very vaguely defined residential qualification. I still think it would be preferable, and probably more acceptable to Shanghai, if the qualification terms were something like the following:—A player is eligible to play for a Port in the Interport contest between Hongkong and Shanghai if he becomes a registered player of a club affiliated to the local Football Association at least one month prior to the Interport contest in any one season. Such a rule would do away with the necessity of mentioning residential status and at the same time would legislate against the inclusion of players who may have made business transfers from one port to the other just before an Interport. This too, could be construed as a very fair definition of the word "regular," as it is reasonable to suggest that any player who appears in at least four successive matches prior to an Interport, is a regular player for his club.

Tientsin Eliminated

I gather it is suggested to confine the future rules of the Interport to Hongkong and Shanghai, with Tientsin excluded. The original rules made provision for any Port which cared to participate. But three years have passed since Tientsin took part in a triangular contest, and it

Clubhouse Chatter By "Veritas"

Is now proposed that Interports of that nature should be excluded. The amended rules mention specifically Hongkong and Shanghai and presumably will apply only to those ports and to Interports between them. I don't know why this has been done. Perhaps Shanghai suggested it. On the other hand if Shanghai didn't, it is in a unique position for staging Triangular Interports, and may not like to concede it. But the H.K.F.A. committee may feel that as Tientsin's participation in Triangular contests are so rare, it is not worth while taking the risk of a third party disputing a set of rules which have been agreed upon between two Associations.

Something Attempted

VARIOUS other rules, not involving any controversial principles, but which require bringing up to date, have also received the attention of the committee which appears to have accomplished its task in a creditable manner. At least something has been attempted; this in itself is sufficient to earn commendation.

She Plays Football—At 68!

Plymouth. Anonymous letters are pouring in on 68-year-old Mrs. Alice Mary Skilton, of Turnchapel, near here, because she plays football for the Turnchapel women's team. "I am annoyed at these letters, as some of them are most abusive," said Mrs. Skilton, "but I do not intend giving up the game, even if I receive 1,000 letters. I had never played football till last season, but I think it is a grand game."

"I'M YOUNG AGAIN" Mrs. Skilton's appearance in the ranks of footballers followed her marriage three years ago. "Before becoming a bride," she said, "I was a shy, retiring spinster. Marriage seemed to give me new life. I have become quite young again, and never felt fatter in my life."

Week-End Football In Hongkong

NAVY NEED ONE POINT FOR A CHAMPIONSHIP

Smart Display By S. China "B": Fusiliers Disappointing

Most important feature of the week-end league football in Hongkong was Navy getting within a point of the second division championship following two clear-cut victories of six-nil each over Royal Artillery (Stonecutters) and Chinese Police.

With two more matches to play, Navy require but a single point to retain the title they won last season. South China "A" made no doubt about their encounter with the Club, winning 6-nil to take over the first division leadership on goal average. Club do however caused the biggest surprise of the day by beating the Fusiliers, leaders of the third division by four goals to one. Fusiliers position, however, is not particularly jeopardised, as with 38 points from 22 matches, they top R.A.O.C. who have 35 points from 21 games.

South China "B" played nice football yesterday to beat Kowloon Chinese 3-1, the forward line being in excellent fettle. The heavy ground, contrary to expectations, did not upset the slight South China forwards, who displayed fine ball control and effective shooting powers.

The "Gallop" team was completely on the attack and dominated the game. Chiu Yik-fai was in his best form at centre-forward and scored two neat goals, while the rest of the attack gave him the fullest support.

Chiu Yik-fai was outstanding on the left wing for Kowloon Chinese, who put up a clever performance

tion. The Council will have plenty of opportunity for studying and discussing the recommended revisions. It is possible that some will not meet with general approval. In one case at least, there seems to be room for improvement. But on the whole the amendments should be well received, and if Shanghai sees eye to eye with them, a progressive piece of work will have been accomplished.

DOUGHTY DEEDS IN DIVISION 2 CRICKET

PRATA UNLUCKY

Some doughty deeds were performed in second division cricket on Saturday. That well-known bowling combination—Pope and Baker of the Police—ran through the Civil Service team, which included Frank Lawrence the former K.C.C. player.

Pope bowled 12 overs, 2 maidens, captured 7 wickets for 39 runs, while his colleague Baker sent down 66 balls, conceded 24 runs and took three wickets.

Thereafter the Police scored freely and won the match by nine wickets after Carey had been dismissed for nine. Stephens made a good 42, and Tommy Hunter a careful 17. Afterwards Loughlin, Pope and Danbrowsky were each dismissed without scoring.

A. M. Prata made a great effort for Club de Recreio against the Indian Recreation Club, hitting up 92 out of 177, and being unlucky to miss his century. Recreio scored so freely that they were able to declare at 108 for 6, Mendonca giving Prata excellent aid with a forceful knock of 43.

Indians were afterwards saved by A. S. Sufilad, who stayed long enough to hit up 53 out of 87. E. L. Gosano bowled so brilliantly in the first part of the Indians' innings, that it seemed he would go through the side. His first five overs yielded three maidens, three runs and four wickets, but M. R. Abbas and A. A. Aziz hit him about and finally Gosano had figures of 6 for 32. Indians had to bat desperately to avoid defeat and at the close had scored 125 for the loss of eight wickets.

K.C.C. FLUCTUATIONS

At the K.C.C., Craigengower turned up with only nine men for a friendly against the junior champions, and were well beaten, though at one time they offered a distinct threat. After the home team's first two wickets had put on 56, another three fell for an additional three runs. Then Hall and Sargent hit off the required number and when the K.C.C. innings closed 140 had been put on the board in reply to the visitors' 77.

Craigengower made a confident start when they batted first and two wickets realised 60 runs. Then Sargent was brought on and after having 19 runs knocked off him, proceeded to play havoc with the batsmen.

In 1.5 overs he obtained four wickets for three runs. His final analysis was 4 for 22. He had several of the batsmen mistiming their strokes against his quickly turning leg breaks, and he also kept a fine length.

A. Zimmermann was top scorer for Craigengower, and he made some nice shots as well as a few "edgy" ones. Gobind batted more resolutely and drove strongly for many of his 11 runs. His was a sound, watchful knock, though he exhibited some good strokes.

K.C.C. made light of Craigengower attack in the early stages of their innings. F. A. Broadbridge opened and hit up 20. Gray followed and made 22. Then followed a brief rest when three wickets went down very cheaply to W. Rapley, whose left hand round-the-wicket deliveries had the batsmen puzzled. Later there was more free hitting and contributions of 24 by Hall, 23 by Sargent and 19 by Dand allowed K.C.C. to amass 140.

Rapley's 4 for 44 was the result of some excellent bowling. At one time he had nearly better figures, but was hit about towards the close.



Kowloon Chinese forward makes a spectacular but unsuccessful leap for the ball in yesterday's league match with South China "B." Tong Kwan, South China full back is stooping down. (Photo Ming Yuen).

THE L.B.W. (N.) RULE SOME CONSIDERED THOUGHTS

An official notice to members of the Marylebone Cricket Club, published recently, states that the question of altering the L.B.W. Rule, is to be discussed at the annual meeting of the club at Lord's on May 6.

The meeting will be made a special general meeting to consider the alteration of Law 24. The effect of such alteration, if carried, would be that the striker shall be out to a ball which, pitching on the off-side of the striker's wicket, would have hit the wicket had it not been intercepted by part of the striker's person (except his hand) which part was between wicket and wicket at the moment of impact.

The experimental L.B.W. Rule has been in operation in English cricket during the last two seasons, and is now being followed in Australia. The London Observer's Cricket Correspondent writes:

In order for the proposed change to be brought in the laws of the game, there must be a majority of two-thirds in its favour when the question comes before the members of the M.C.C.

The suggested alteration has been in force as an experimental measure in English first-class cricket for two seasons. It was accepted by the South Africans and the West Indies when they came to this country on their last tour, and it has been in operation in the present series of matches in Australia.

For most part the experiment has been regarded as a success. It may not have produced all the benefits expected by its advocates, which include a marked decrease in pad-play and revival of off-side strokes, but neither has it caused the disasters predicted by its enemies which included farcical games on sticky wickets, with five appeals an over, and a multitude of bad decisions.

The best of umpires declare that they have found little difficulty in carrying out their new duties. Those who will vote on the matter have had ample opportunity to make a decision, for the views of the county captains and all other prominent first-class cricketers have already been made widely known.

T. T. Race To Be Held In England

ULSTER BAN

The Royal Automobile Club's Tourist Trophy motor race will not be held over the Ards (Ulster) Course this year, Down County Council having voted by 17 to three against it.

Mr. J. M. Andrews, Ulster Labour Minister, who represents the county, took the lead in opposing the event, and said:

"I cannot forget the appalling tragedy which occurred during last year's race, and which might occur again to a greater or lesser extent," he stated.

[This was a reference to the death of eight persons caused by one of the competing cars crashing into the crowd watching the race.]

"We ought not to ignore the large volume of opinion which is opposed to the holding of the race this year," he said.

"I think we shall all be in agreement in feeling that it is unsatisfactory that the question of compensation is still unsettled."

Shanghai Badminton Championship

Shanghai, March 25. Amid tense excitement, Mrs. T. M. Burton and Mrs. H. Matland won the play off of the extra points after the score had been equalised at 14-14 in the third set of the finals of the ladies doubles badminton championship, thereby annexing the title for the year.

Their opponents, Mrs. Jean Stokes and Decima Eardley gave them a great struggle, as the ladies actually won two of the necessary three points to give them the match, but with victory in sight they lost the service and the eventual winners were able to run to their points thereby taking the match and the championship. The score was 15-12, 10-15, 17-10 in favour of Mrs. Burton and Mrs. Matland.

L. Shellen and J. Milne, the visiting Tientsin badminton players, who sportingly consented to play an exhibition in place of the matches which had to be called off owing to the illness of P. Spagnoletti and W. A. H. Duff, were defeated by A. G. Meise and E. V. de Senna by 15-8, 15-3, the visitors not being on form as they have not had much practice recently.

Prior to these games an exhibition singles match between the markers from the French Club and the Country Club took place, the representative of the former winning by 15-10, 15-8, after a fine display on the part of both contestants.

At the conclusion of the matches, Mr. W. R. M. Stevens made a short speech covering the activities of the Badminton Association during the past successful season, when the largest entry in the leagues and championships tournaments had been seen. He then introduced Mrs. A. E. Seddon who presented the prizes to the successful contestants, and a memento was given to the two Tientsin players who sportingly took part in the present tournament.

Two-Hours Match In Kowloon Tong Tennis Tournament

Several matches were played in the Kowloon Tong Club tennis tournament during the week-end, and the finals in most of the events have now been reached.

Henry Chan, who lost to H. D. Runjahn in the Colony Tennis championship last Thursday, put up a splendid display against S. A. Gray in the club championship, a two-hours contest going the full distance of five sets.

Chan's stolid baseline play and his consistent recoveries permitted him, not only to force the issue to the fifth set after being in arrears two sets to one, but to lead 4-1 in the concluding stages of the match. Gray became vulnerable against good length lobbing and lost his grip on the exchanges. However, he came back determined to win four games in a row, but Chan persisted and took the decision to the twelfth game before breaking down against Gray's service and smashes.

Gray was leading two sets to one and 4-2 in the fourth set, with three games points for a 5-3 lead. But he collapsed and Chan went on to annex the set in the 14th game.

A rather interesting point was that though Gray led 5-4, 0-3 in the fourth set and 5-4 in the fifth, he did not reach match point until the twelfth game of the final set.

The full scores of this marathon match were: 3-6, 6-4, 6-2, 6-8, 7-5 in favour of Gray, who now meets J. W. Howard in the semi-final.

Chan and his brother A. Chan advanced to the final of the club doubles championship when they de-

BRIGHT BATTING AT CLUB

145 Runs In 90 Minutes

ANDERSON CENTURY

THOUGH Donald Anderson earned high honours for his splendid knock of 113 for Kowloon against Hongkong in a two-day cricket match which started on Saturday, it was H. B. Neve who carried off the prize for the most attractive batting display of the day.

Neve's 62 was a sparkling effort, especially praiseworthy in its earlier stages when R. Lee was getting some "life" out of the pitch and had Anderson thoroughly despondent. Neve's forward play revealed his skill in timing and rarely did he look uncomfortable. Anything short of a good length or over pitched he smote lustily without losing accuracy in placement. The innings ranks as his best to date in Hongkong.

Anderson recovered nicely after a very hesitant opening. Lee morally bowled him twice and the batsman all but put the ball into the hands of slip in the first over or two. When he had obtained measure of Lee and accustomed himself to the wicket, the K.C.C. player opened out into his best style and helped Neve to put on 145 for the first wicket in 90 minutes, before lunch. Minus Lee, Owen-Hughes and Holder were hit treated in a cavalier fashion by these two dashing batsmen and when the 15th interval was taken, Kowloon looked safe to top the 300 mark.

WHITMARSH GETS AMONG THE WICKETS But after the adjournment wickets toppled before Whitmarsh, who bowled a fine length, and Madar, who made them turn appreciably. All of the colour went out of the Mainland's batting, and only Anderson, who went on to score 113, Garthwaite, who was polished in his knock of 32, and Baxter, who stroked prettily for 13, looked like getting runs.

During the afternoon, Kowloon lost an additional nine wickets for 149 runs. Whitmarsh not only disposed of Anderson, but clean bowled Mackay, Gosano and McLellan in rapid succession, while he got Pritchard caught behind the wicket, finishing up with an analysis of 5 for 39 in 13 overs, four of which were maidens.

It must be said, however, that Kowloon were then out to score quick runs.

Madar obtained some of the middle wickets such as Baxter and Garthwaite and finished off the innings by getting Goodwin caught, his figures being three for 15 in 4.1 overs.

If Teddy Fincher hadn't dropped Richardson and Mackay had held a chance offered by Zimmermann, Hong-

HAPPY EVE TO WIN BIG EVENT

AT THE RACE MEETING TO-DAY

(By "Captain Foster")

The Easter racing carnival concludes at Happy Valley to-day with a programme of ten events, the chief of which is the Easter Stakes. My nomination to win this race is Happy Eve, with King's Warden and Bear Claw to offer chief opposition. My selections follow.

SUGAR LOAF HANDICAP

Thunder Bay
Rob Roy
Commencement Day

BROKEN HILL HANDICAP

Strathroy
Electron
Gypsy Love

KELLETT HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

Tynno
Soldier of Peace
Blaise

EASTER STAKES

Happy Eve
King's Warden
Bear Claw

MORRISON HILL HANDICAP

Red Feather
Rose-Queen
King's Lead

COOLGARDIE HANDICAP

Courting Eve
Strathairick
Such Fun

BOA VISTA HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

Plain View
Pride of Tairgao
Dilegans

POKFULAM STAKES

Cloverton
Radium
Declasse

KELLETT HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

Ythan
Royal Highness
Flybynight

BOA VISTA HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

Pagan Love
Racing Boy
Coronation Day

DAILY DOUBLE EVENT

Red Feather/Plain View

kong would have lost two very cheap wickets before close of play. But both offers were refused, and the Island XI went on to score 93 for the loss of one wicket. Garthwaite disturbed Richardson's stumps with a magnificent delivery after the opening batsmen had put on 38. Thereafter Zimmermann and Owen-Hughes played out time, stumps being drawn shortly after 5.45 owing to bad light.

The game will be resumed this morning, and although Kowloon are favourably placed, Hongkong has a good chance of saving the game.

HOME RUGBY SATURDAY GAMES RESULTS

London, Mar. 27. The following were the results of the Rugby Union matches played to-day:

Bristol	11 Leicester	0
Cardiff	10 Barbarians	3
Gloucester	15 London Welsh	0
Llanelli	20 Devonport	0
Northampton	32 Northampton	5
Plymouth Abbot	0 Old Merchant	14
Swansea	18 Haringborough	15
United Services	14 Richmond	39
Aberavon	15 Aberavon	10

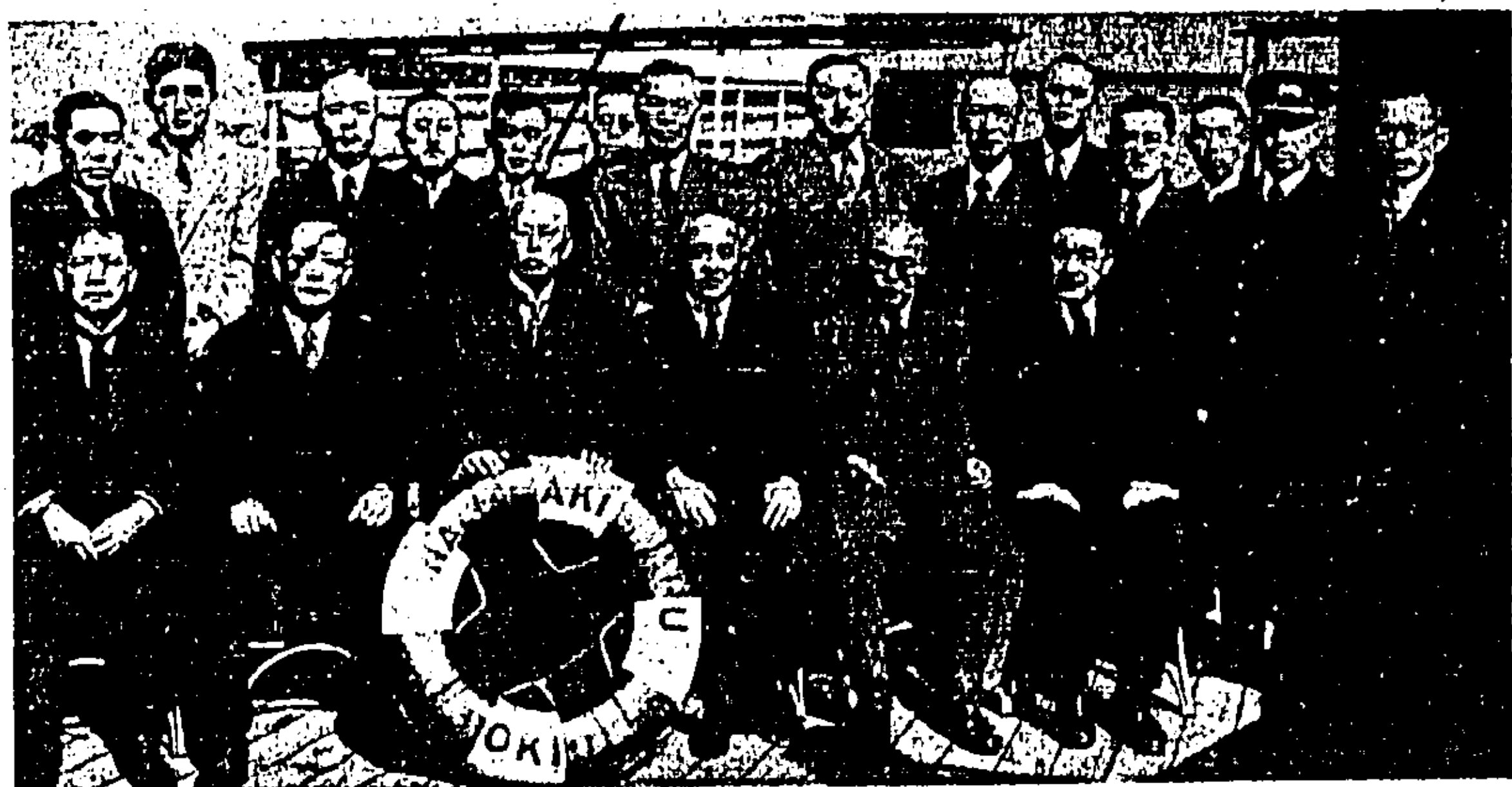
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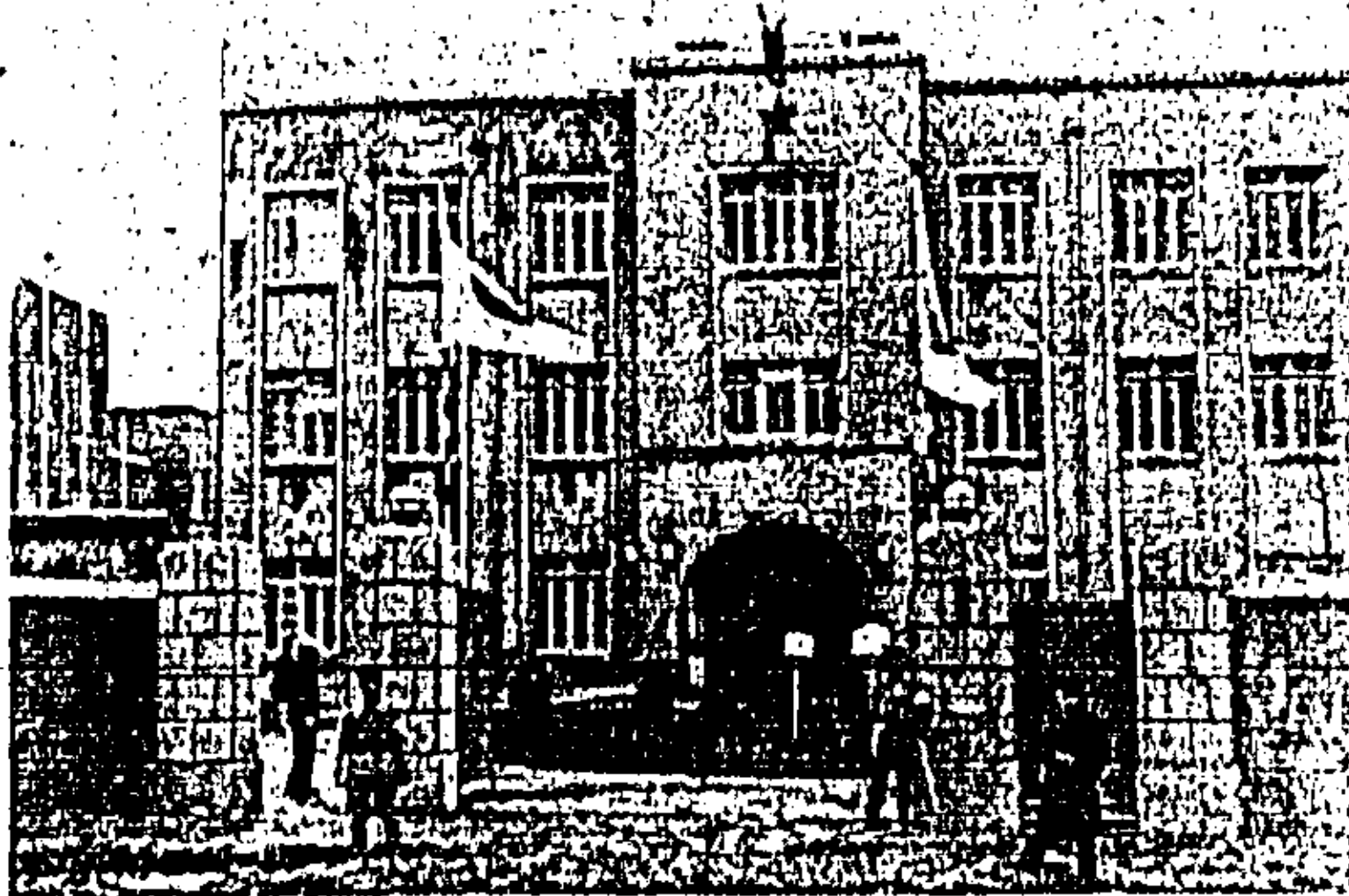
Led by Mr. K. Kodama, former President of the Yokohama Specie Bank, the Japanese Economic Mission, consisting of 14 of the Island Empire's leading bankers, industrialists and shippers, arrived in Shanghai last week aboard the N.Y.K. steamer Nagasaki Maru.



More than 600 Chinese officials, representatives from public bodies and student representatives participated in the meeting held under the auspices of the Shanghai City Government in commemoration of the 12th anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, the Founder of the Republic of China. After speech-making in the auditorium of the Shanghai City Government the Tree-Planting Song was sung and many trees were planted by those attending the meeting in keeping with the "Principle of Livelihood" advocated by the late leader.



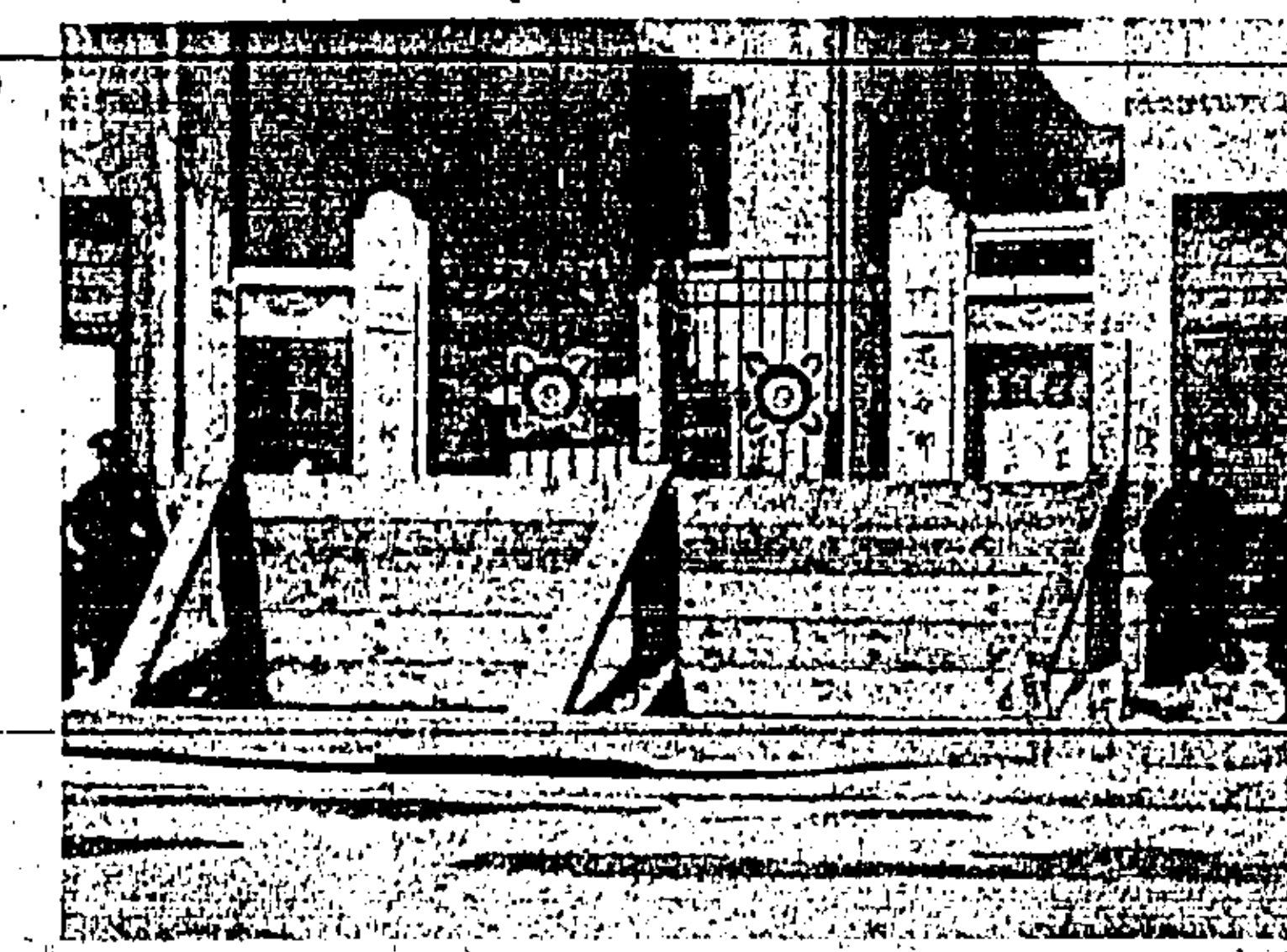
A very interesting wedding took place at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai. Miss Valentina Victoria Gachik-Romanchik, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gachik-Romanchik, of Vilna, Poland, became the bride of Mr. Kenneth Stuart Macke, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Mackenzie, of London.



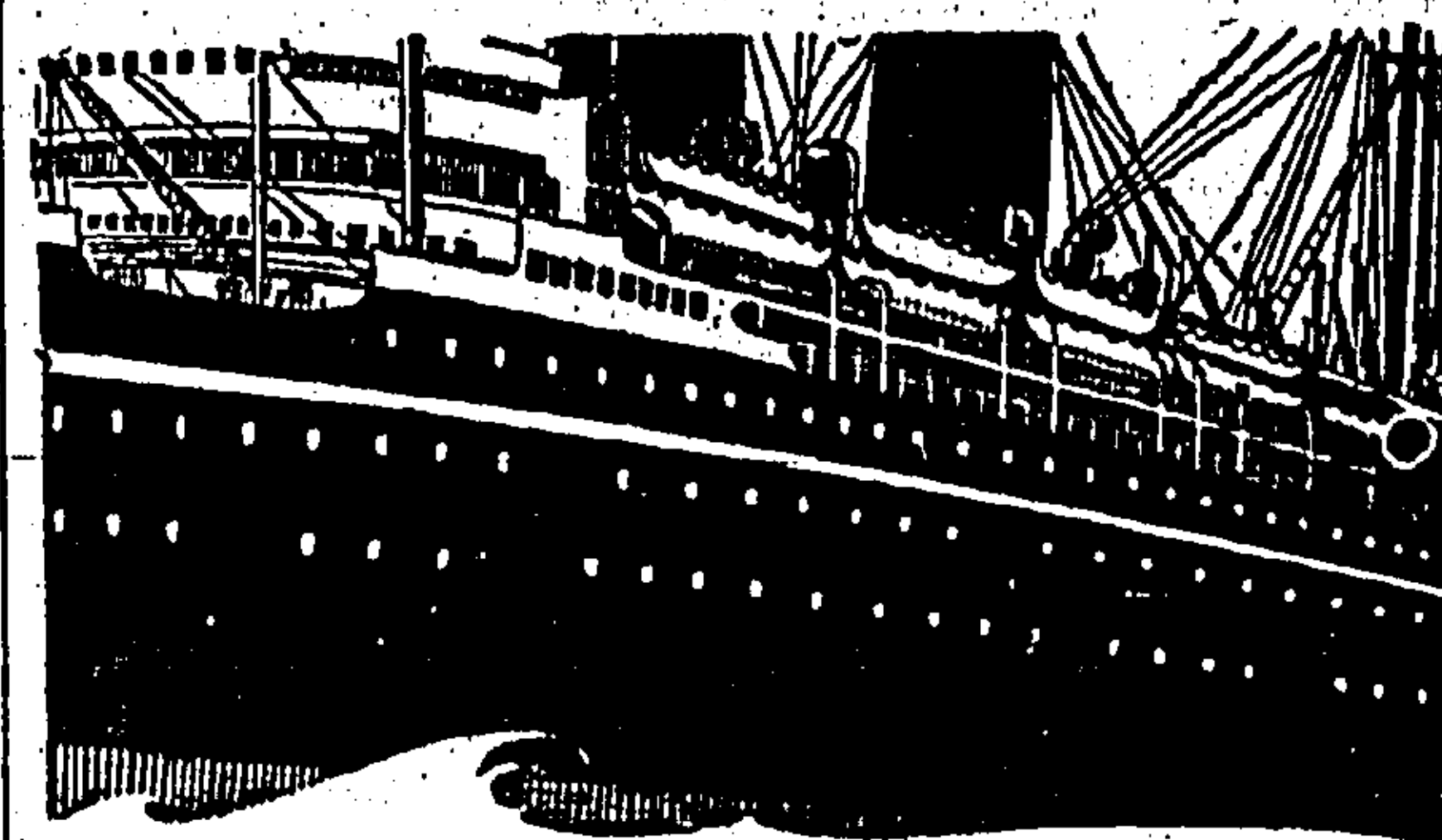
Elaborate ceremonies were conducted in Shanghai recently in connection with the opening of the new offices of the Military Attaché to the Japanese Embassy in China. The new building is shown above.



The party of 62 Rotarians in a goodwill tour of the Orient from Australia arrived in Shanghai from Hongkong aboard the S.S. Scharnhorst and were warmly welcomed by a delegation from the Shanghai Rotary Club. Our picture shows, second from left, Mr. Angus Mitchell, leader of the tour, Mr. Hans Berents, President of the Shanghai Club. At extreme right is shown Mr. E. Walter, another one of the visitors.



There is nothing uncertain about this staunch barricade which was placed across a lane leading to Tifeng Road by the Shanghai Municipal Police. In order to prevent tampering with the obstruction, several police constables can be seen "standing by."



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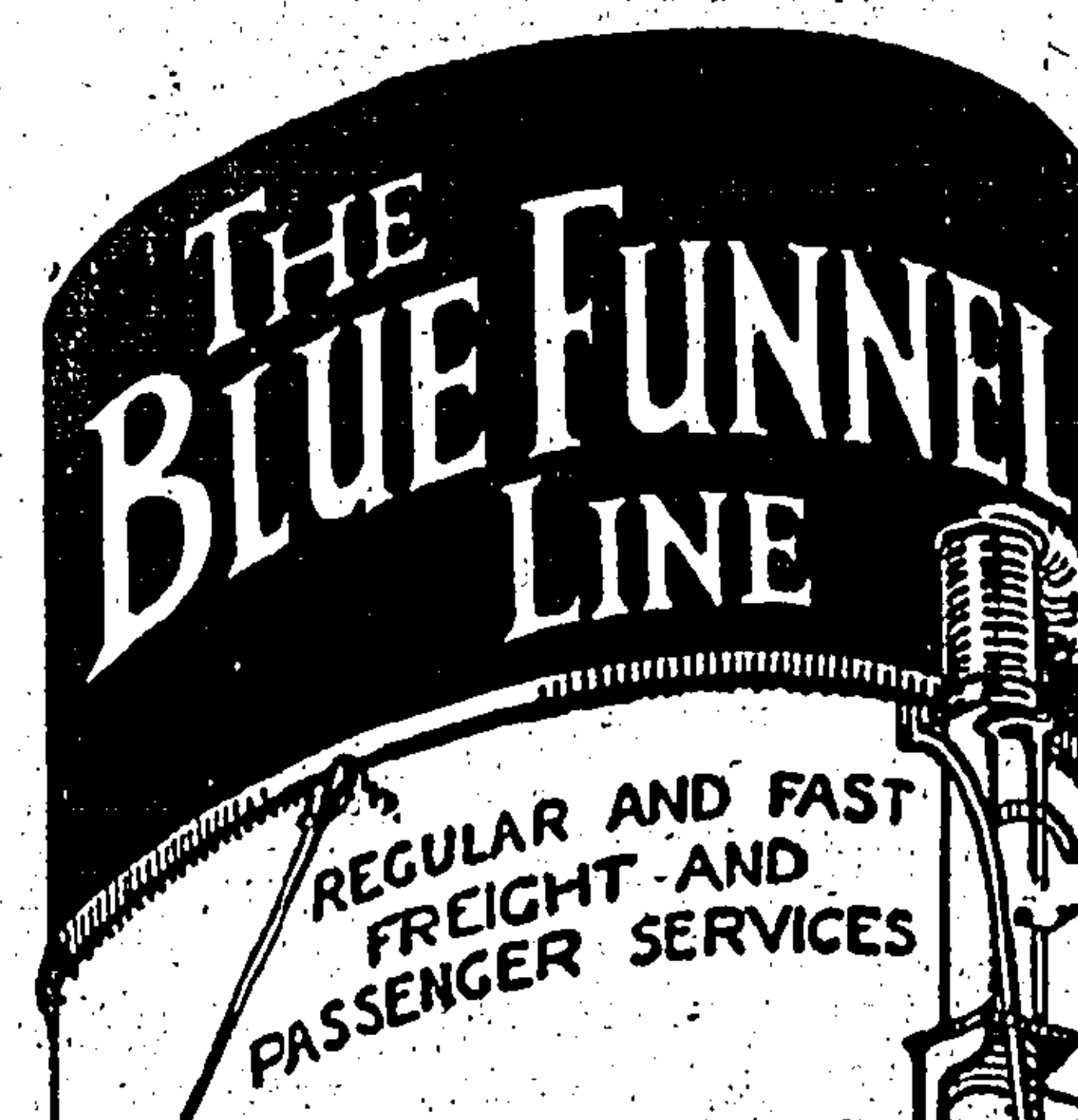
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"DEFEND HAINAN ISLD. AT ALL COSTS"

Nanking Newspaper Urges Big Move To Safeguard Land

Nanking, Mar. 15.

Because of its strategic importance and great economic potentialities, Hainan Island, China's largest insular possession off southern Kwangtung, must be defended at all costs, declared the *Hsin Chin Jih Pao*, or the *New Capital Daily*, in a leading article entitled "Defend Hainan Island" this morning.

Since the Pakhoi incident, the paper said, Hainan Island has attracted both national and international attention. In Japan, the island is regarded as the best base for her southward policy. Therefore, during the Pakhoi trouble a number of youthful Japanese army officers asked the Foreign Office and the Japanese Navy why the island was not occupied outright.

Whereupon a large number of Japanese men-of-war were despatched to Hainan, the most important commercial harbour in northern Hainan Island, which is situated at the neck of the Hainan Strait directly east of the Bay of Tonkin. Meanwhile, one of the demands the Japanese Government made on China last year was the right to station troops at ports along the Yangtze River and on Hainan Island.

Although Japan's demands and activities regarding the island have so far proved fruitless, they have revealed her aggressive ambitions which, the paper said, should be reason enough for Chinese worries. The geographic importance of the island coupled with Japan's coveting glances has awakened the Chinese people themselves to the paramountcy of the southern island.

During the last few months, there have been much talk about developing Hainan Island. Last November, Mr. T. Y. Soong, executive member of the National Economic Council and chairman of the board of directors of the Bank of China, personally undertook a trip to the island to map out plans for its economic development.

FOURFOLD PROGRAMME

In January, the Kwangtung provincial reconstruction department drafted a four-stage development programme for the island. Then the Chinese chamber of commerce in Hongkong approached various circles in Canton and Shanghai to organise an industrial investigation party to the island. Meanwhile reports have been received of the organisation of a \$1,000,000 company by Chinese in Malaya also meant for the opening-up of the island.

All these go to prove that the importance of Hainan Island has been generally realised by the Chinese people, the paper said.

Hainan Island is not only rich in natural resources but also occupies a unique place in China's national defence. The Yulin harbour in the southern tip of the island is by nature an ideal naval base. It is also the first port of call for ships coming to the Far East from Europe. Then along the northeastern coast of the island is another good harbour named Tsinglan. These two harbours are bound to play an important part in

the development of communication on the island in the future.

VALUE OF RAILWAYS

During the Manchu dynasty there was a proposal to build a 480-mile long railway to link Tsinglan in the north with Yulin in the south via Chlacheh and Lingshui, two large cities along the eastern coast of the island. If this plan is realised in the present, it will greatly enhance both the military and economic value of the island.

Then Hainan, though is not an excellent naval base, is also important because of its location in the Hainan Strait. A reasonably good commercial harbour was made in 1905. In addition, other inlets and harbours on the island are also valuable both from the military and economic points of view.

IMPORTANCE TO HONGKONG

All these harbours have close relations with Hongkong and French Indo-China. Speaking from the British point of view, if Hainan Island should become the military base of a powerful country, it would reduce the strategic value of Hongkong as well as threaten the line of communication between Hongkong and Singapore.

Then from the French point of view, if Hainan Island should be turned into a military base of a powerful nation, it would make it difficult for France to make it defend French Indo-China. That is why as early as on March 15, 1897 the French Government secured the Manchu court's consent that it would never cede the island to any foreign power.

Due to the balance-of-power forces, Hainan Island up to this date still remains an integral part of Chinese territory. This, the paper said, must be regarded as China's good luck.

JAPAN AS AGGRESSOR

Continuing, the paper said while neither Great Britain nor France, despite the close relationship of Hainan Island with their possessions in the Far East, is entertaining any territorial designs, the same thing cannot be said of Japan. The latter not only wants to seize the natural resources of the island but also intends to turn the island into a naval base for the execution of her southward policy.

With Hainan Island in her control, Japan expects to deal a death blow to Hongkong and at the same time to cut off China's economic communication with the outside world. The ultimate aim of Japan's plan to seize Hainan Island is to dominate the whole South China.

LEAVE NOTHING UNDONE

Since Hainan Island stands in such a danger of being snatched by Japan, China must leave nothing undone to defend it. On the one hand it is hoped that every one of the 3,000,000 inhabitants on the island can be trained to become soldiers and producers, strengthening their positions for the defence of China's territorial sovereignty.

On the other hand, the paper expressed the hope that the Central Government and financial groups in China will adopt a positive programme for the economic development of the island. The building of railways and the opening of harbours should be important parts of any such programme, which is indispensable to the defence of the island against foreign aggression as well as to the retention of China's sovereignty over the island.—Central News.

Japan Is Losing Trade

INCREASING prosperity
in the world is bad news
for Japan.

Her ability to undercut other nations is going fast; she is threatened with financial crisis. Supremacy in the cotton trade is being gained by Lancashire, which is becoming stronger as the prosperity wave rolls on.

Here are the facts in this paradox of international trade—Raw cotton has increased in price by 15 per cent, in the last year, by 50 per cent, in the last four years. Other commodities have increased in price much more. Cocoa, for example, has more than doubled in price.

NATIVES' BICYCLES

This increase in price is spread out. Natives on cotton plantations in India or Egypt and on cocoa plantations in Africa, and all the other millions of workers producing the world's raw materials are earning more.

What does this mean to Japan and the rest of the world? It means that these workers, living in humble circumstances, demand better qualities of goods with their increased wages. They stop buying cheap clothes from Japan and buy better quality from Lancashire. The African native who once rode to work on a thirty-shilling Japanese bicycle now aspires to a more expensive but better and longer-lasting model from Britain.

In the world of international commerce this increase in the price of raw materials means, too, that Japan's margin of profits is cut down. The difference in the price of Japanese cotton goods and British cotton goods is relatively less.

AMBASSADOR'S VISIT

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His Excellency the Ambassador, Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen, Lady Knatchbull-Hugessen and their two daughters were guests at Flagstaff House at luncheon yesterday prior to their departure for Macao. General A. W. Bartholomew, and Mrs. Bartholomew, entertained at the same time Brigadier and Mrs. H. G. Seth Smith, Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. D. M. Birchard, and Col. V. R. Burkhardt and Miss Burkhardt.

Following luncheon, the Ambassadorial party boarded the Admiral's yacht, H.M.S. *Palmouth* and left about 3 p.m. for Macao. A salute of 19 guns was fired by H.M.S. *Cumberland* as the distinguished guest embarked. On Saturday the Ambassador was entertained by the Chinese business men at luncheon.



Charles Laughton as the Emperor Claudius in the new London Film "I Claudius" after the novel by Robert Graves. Merle Oberon, who plays the part of Messalina, adjusts Claudius' hat before one of the scenes is shot.

Blue Lamps Hide Towns In War

Home Office Tests
with 'Plane

By An Aeronautical Correspondent

An experiment to see how far street lighting aids an aeroplane pilot in finding an objective at night was conducted in a part of Bedford early yesterday morning.

For two hours, low-power, blue-tinted lamps were used in the main streets in place of the normal lighting, and a single Royal Air Force aeroplane carrying an observer patrolled overhead to note the effects.

The Home Office later issued the following statement: "Some experiments were conducted in the streets of Bedford in an attempt to establish the minimum amount of light that would be required under war conditions to enable essential traffic to proceed with safety along streets and also to observe whether such restricted lighting would be readily visible from the air."

LOW-POWER LIGHTS

"The Borough Electricity Department, the police and the fire brigade co-operated with the Home Office, and the Royal Air Force in these trials. About a mile and a half of streets, including Bedford High Street, were used. The normal street lighting was replaced by low-power lamps, so coloured as not to be easily discernible from the air. Vehicles of various types proceeded along the streets in order to test the adequacy of the lighting."

"When full data of aerial and ground observation are available, the Home Office will consider the nature of restriction which would need to be applied to street lighting generally in time of war."

The fact remains that light, which shows up objects clearly to observers on the ground will also show them up clearly to observers in the air. A very dim form of lighting is less easily seen from a distance, but it must correspondingly reduce the mobility of ground vehicles."

Wing Commander Hodsell, head of the Air Raid Precautions Department, stated that the experiments went well and that the impression he formed was that there was sufficient light to permit movement of traffic on the ground."

TESTS AT NAVAL PORTS

This experiment, together with the previous ones at Sheerness, Chatham, Rochester, Gillingham and Plymouth, may enable sufficient information to be gathered to enable advice to be given on lighting."

A great deal of misapprehension exists as to the extent air pilots can use lights seen on the ground for directional purposes. It was frequently stated during the War that enemy bombers had "followed" motor-cars with headlights. Such a thing was possible with slow, pre-war aeroplanes flying in races, but not with modern bombers under war conditions.

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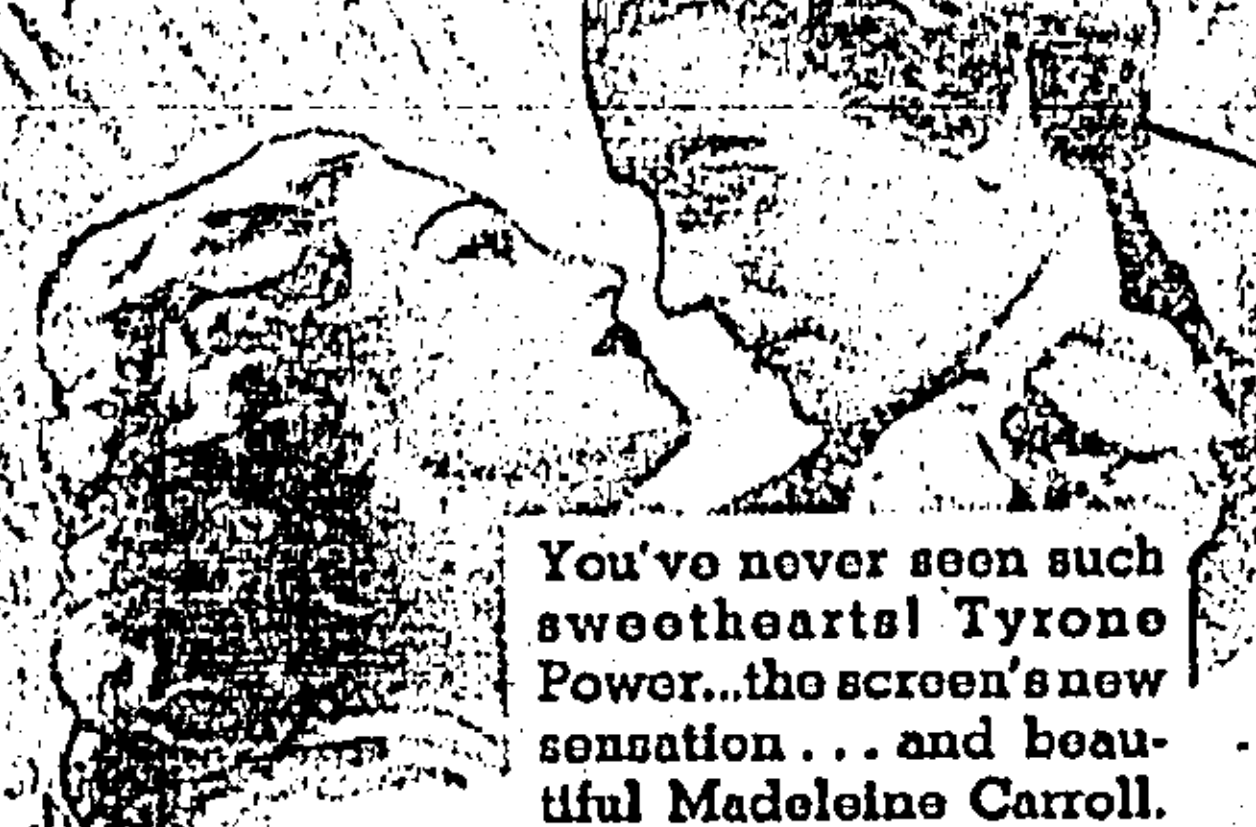
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